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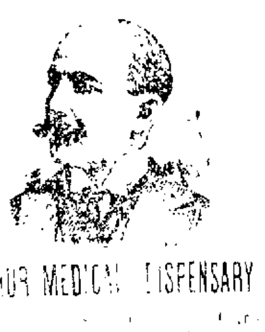
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A BANK WRECKER

Frank C. Andrews, of Detroit City Savings Bank is Under Arrest

WITH CONNIVANCE OF CASHIER

He Has Largely Overdrawn His Account Which Was Irregularly Kept.

De..., Feb. 10.—Vice President F. C. Andrews of the City Savings bank ... has been in the hands of State ... Commissioner Maltz since this ... was arrested this afternoon ... arraigned tonight on the charge of ... fraudulently and knowingly ... from the bank without security ... without the knowledge of the other ... a sum exceeding one million ... He was released on $10,000 ... his examination set for Feb. ... Cashier Henry C. Andrews, ... whom F. C. Andrews is said ... secured the money by means of ... drafts and certified checks, is seri... with nervous prostration. In ... to the total indebtedness to ... Savings bank of $1,158,000, ... which Andrews signed over ... institution all his real estate and ... which it is estimated will ... million dollars, four local ... and trust companies hold his ... certified by Cashier Andrews, ... amount of $662,000. A considerable number of these checks are protected ... to sureties deposited with them ... Andrews.

Commissioner Maltz found that Cashier Andrews has permitted F. C. Andrews to overdraw his account $914,000, ... liabilities brought F. C. Andrews' indebtedness up to $1,158,000. In ... to this Cashier Andrews had ... to checks for F. C. Andrews ... he had deposited in other banks ... amount of $662,000. At the close ... examination Maltz tonight issued ... statement of the bank's condition ...

Resources—Total loans, discounts, mortgages, securities, $2,393,093; ... drafts, $913,852; real estate, $10,...; cash, $288,697; other assets, $18,... Liabilities—Stock, surplus, undivided profits, $225,212; deposits, $3,... 70,...

The examination showed the record of ... Andrews' transactions were not ... in the regular way but in a memorandum book.

The first record of the transactions ... between Cashier Andrews and F. C. Andrews is January 11, but the examiners estimate the transactions have been ... on for about six weeks.

HAD COUNTY FUNDS.

The bank was a depositary for funds ... state auditors, their balance there ... more than $150,000 and F. C. Andrews was arrested this afternoon on ... complaint sworn out by Auditor ... The warrant was served on ... Andrews, who is a commissioner of police, by two of his detectives. The ... was also a depositary for the board ... of education which had $467,000 on deposit. Other local banks will temporarily advance funds to the board of education for salaries and running expenses.

At a meeting of the clearing house association a statement was issued that the disaster was the result of criminal irregularities and that the bank had ... been expelled from the association and ... among the public that there was no ... for apprehension.

There was nothing like panic at any of the other banks and comparatively ... deposits were withdrawn. At the ... avenue branch of the City Savings bank, which drew its deposits largely from the laboring people, there were many pathetic scenes as depositors learned the bank had suspended.

MALTZ EXPLAINS.

Asked the reason for the suspension Commissioner Maltz said:

"Frank C. Andrews, vice president of the bank, and commissioner of police, is the reason. The bank had total deposits of something over $3,000,000. Andrews ... more than a third of the money ... on certified checks and overdrafts. Henry R. Andrews, cashier of the bank, advanced this money to Frank C. Andrews without the knowledge of the directors. They are entirely blameless in the matter. When I learned the bank's condition I closed it. I do not know whether any steps will be taken by the ... toward legal prosecutions against the Messrs. Andrews. I will issue a statement this afternoon on the bank's condition."

The capital stock of the bank is $150,000.

FEARED OPERATION

Prominent Bloomington Man Ends His Own Life

Bloomington, Feb. 10.—Deputy City Clerk William Crawford shot himself through the head this afternoon, dying instantly. He feared the effects of a surgical operation. He had been a city and county official many terms and was prominent in central Illinois politics.

ONE UNION FOREVER

Patriotic Speech by General Lee at Auditorium

Chicago, Feb. 10.—General Fitzhugh Lee lectured here tonight at the auditorium under the auspices of the National Union, a patriotic fraternal order. There was a large audience and the welcome accorded Lee was in the nature of an ovation. His subject was "Peace and War in the United States and Cuba."

Speaking of the civil war he gave both sides great credit for valor and courage and outlined the present position and intentions of the south. They had failed to make two republics grow where there was only one before and now are doing all in their power to make the one grow greater and grander than ever before.

As to the Spanish-American war he said Spain could not quell the Cuban insurrection nor could the Cubans drive the Spaniards from the island, so it was the duty of the United States to step in and end the conflict.

He concluded by referring to the fact that all clouds that had hitherto obstructed the progress and prosperity of the country had been removed and appealed to all sections to unite in preserving peace and in the performance of patriotic duties.

COST OF NEW NAVY

It Has Been Something Over One Hundred Million

Washington, Feb. 10.—The new navy has cost the United States $90,803,928 for construction and $9,343,235 for repairs on completed vessels. These figures were supplied in a statement forwarded to the senate today by the secretary of the navy and is the result of the labors of a number of employes for the past year. It is considered very comprehensive and an accurate financial history of the present navy.

In addition to the expenditures made on the vessels now afloat there are several ships in the course of construction. These include the Kentucky and Kearsarge, on each of which an expenditure of four million dollars has been authorized and the Illinois, Wisconsin and Alabama, on each of which an expenditure of $3,750,000 has been authorized. There are also several smaller vessels in course of construction that will bring the total up to a considerable extent when the vessels are completed. The statement covers a period from 1883 and begins with the building of the Chicago, Atlanta and Boston.

Of the completed vessels the Oregon cost the greatest amount, $6,575,032; the Massachusetts second, $6,047,117. The total cost of the Maine was $4,677,788.

AGAINST SECRET TREATY

United States Vigorously Protesting Against Russian Manchurian Scheme

Washington, Feb. 10.—Negotiations between the United States and Russia relative to Manchuria are progressing with the exhibition of a great deal of energy on our part though the exchanges are in the kindliest spirit. The attitude of Russia in this matter has shifted materially since the beginning of the negotiations. The treaty was drawn up originally between Russia and China for the evacuation of Manchuria by Russia, but the provision particularly objectionable to the Russo-Chinese bank was practical control of the commercial and material interests of Manchuria, which is a valuable market from which Americans would be practically excluded. The representations were apparently effectual for that provision, has been withdrawn. But it has been discovered that there is a secret treaty giving the Russian bank practically the same advantage. It is against this secret pact the United States is now directing its efforts.

Committee for Cuba

Washington, Feb. 10.—The American Beet Sugar association by its president, Henry T. Oxnard today submitted to the house committee on ways and means a petition urging a committee be sent to Cuba for the purpose of obtaining by actual inquiry and by examination of accounts of Cuban sugar factories in regard to the Cuban sugar industry.

Promotion for Dunann

Chicago, Feb. 10.—C. D. Dunann, city passenger agent for the Great Western in this city, has been appointed general passenger agent for the Pacific Coast Steamship company at San Francisco. The appointment takes effect March 1st. He has been with the Great Western since 1887.

New Insane Asylum Opens

Peoria, Ill., Feb. 10.—The insane asylum at South Bartonville was opened today when the patients from the Jacksonville asylum were brought here. Others will be brought from Kankakee during the week.

Boy on Trial for Murder

Marion, Ill., Feb. 10.—The trial of Roy McCowan, indicted for the murder of Mrs. Belle Richards of Carterville, Ill., a year ago, was commenced today. The woman was an invited guest at the house of the defendant and was shot to death at the dinner table.

THE FIRE FIEND

Wipes Out a Factory District in Springfield, Ohio.

PATERSON CONFLAGRATION.

Conservative Estimates Place the Total Loss at $8,000,000

Springfield, Ohio, Feb. 10.—The largest fire in the history of Springfield broke out in the Champion Chemical plant of the East street shops at 9 a. m. By 10:30 twelve manufacturing plants were in ruins. The estimated loss is $500,000; insurance, $300,000. The fire started from an explosion of chemicals in the Champion Chemical plant on the fourth floor. A strong southwesterly wind was blowing and with amazing rapidity the fire ate its way along the buildings which were all under one roof. Extending 800 feet along East street, 1200 along the railroad. The efforts of the fire companies were of no avail. One plant was quickly followed by another until all were ablaze. The workmen saved very little of the equipment. Every building was destroyed and nothing but the walls are standing. Ten firemen were caught in the office of the Krell French company and to get out rolled down steps and jumped out of the windows. The shops were originally built at a cost of $750,000 and an equipment of two millions dollars. At a receiver's sale Senator Fairbanks bought them for $200,000.

THE LOSSES.

Nine hundred and twenty men were employed by the different concerns located in the buildings. The company losses are estimated as follows:

Owen Machine Tool company, $80,000.
Champion Foundry company, $30,000.
Progress Stove and Furnace company, $20,000.
Indianapolis Frog and Switch company, $50,000.
Miller Gas Engine company, $30,000.
Green Manufacturing company, $5,000.
Krell French Piano company, $150,000.

There was insurance of $130,000 on the contents and for Fairbanks on the buildings $110,000, a total of $240,000.

TWENTY-SIX CITY BLOCKS

Burned in the Sunday Morning Fire at Paterson, N. J.

Property loss	$8,000,000
Buildings destroyed	500
Burned area	26 city blocks
Families homeless	1000
Lives lost	1
Persons injured	63

City under martial law.
Outside aid not asked.

Paterson, N. J., Feb. 10.—The fierce conflagration which burned its way through the business center of Paterson yesterday, has completely spent its force and the firemen from other cities have gone back to their homes and the several local companies have been ordered to their houses for the rest and refreshment they so sorely needed. Conservative opinion places the total loss at $8,000,000, the insurance being five millions. No satisfactory tabulation of individual losses and insurance can be made for several days.

SIXTY-THREE INJURED.

In the hospitals are sixty-three persons injured in the long fight against the flames. Two deaths are due to the calamity. One was that of an old woman, who fell down stairs in her anxiety to view the fire. The other was a woman who had just become a mother, and who died as a result of being removed from the house. The sternest feature which Mayor Hinchcliffe and his coworkers find confronting them today is the necessity for providing employment and permanent homes for the destitute.

A bread and coffee famine was averted by outside aid. A Newark bread company early this morning started wagons loaded with 3000 loaves of bread for free distribution. Wealthy residents and the city ordered large supplies of coffee and provisions from Passaic, Newark and New York. The ladies' relief committee established headquarters in the St. Paul Episcopal church and will provide food to all who may apply for assistance. All the banks burned out yesterday opened for business in temporary quarters today. All banks and trust companies announced their safes and vaults had proved strong enough to preserve the securities, moneys and records locked in them at the close of business Saturday. Many of those whose business places and homes were destroyed were ruined financially and must give up, but a majority will be able to start afresh. They are courageous and confident.

HARTFORD COMPANIES HARD HIT.

Hartford, Conn., Feb. 10.—The losses sustained by the insurance companies of this city by the Paterson, N. J., fire are estimated today as follows:

Aetna	$50,000
National	60,000
Hartford	50,000
Orient	55,000
Phoenix	55,000
Scottish Union and National	50,000
Total	$265,500

RECOMMENDATIONS MADE

Regarding Labor by the Industrial Commission

Washington, Feb. 10.—The third part of the industrial commission's final report was made public today. It treats of labor, immigration, taxation and irrigation. Regarding labor it recommends that as congress cannot legislate directly the several states establish uniform hours of labor. The report says the working day in public employment should be eight hours in the hope of bringing private employers to the same standard. It is recommended that congress under its powers as to interstate commerce prevent any person under eighteen being employed as telegraph operator on railroads; that engineers and switchmen should submit to examination for color blindness; that it should be a misdemeanor for an engineer or switchman to be intoxicated while on duty.

The report says the states should adopt a law providing that labor should be paid in cash or cash orders without discount and not in goods or due bills, and that company stores should not be allowed. Regarding injunctions the commissions says:

"The question of the enforcement of a labor contract by injunction or contempt in equity process is a very difficult one, mainly so by abuses which have arisen from injunctions carelessly issued by learned judges or by unlearned judges of the inferior courts in states which confuse chancery and common law jurisdiction. Injunction is a high prerogative writ, and should be awarded only after a most careful examination by a tribunal thoroughly competent.

PRESBYTERIAN FAITH

Committee on Revision Agrees on a Number of Disputed Points

Philadelphia, Feb. 10.—The creed committee of the Presbyterian church disposed of considerable work today, coming to a definite decision on several vital points in the confession of faith. Dr. William H. Roberts, secretary of the committee, says: "The work of the committee so far as completed provides a declaratory statement for chapter III of the confession of faith on predestination; also for chapter X, section 3, on elect infants."

The secretary repeats the statement that the American Presbyterian church does not teach that any dying in infancy are lost.

The committee, further, has agreed to a revision of the text of the confession in the matter of good works, chapter XVI, section 7; of its being a sin to refuse the oath, chapter XXII, section 5; and also to the pope being a man of sin, chapter XXV, section 6.

It also adds to the confession two chapters, one on the holy spirit and the other on the gospel.

ROBERTSON WILL

Bequeaths Thirty Thousand to Various Colleges

Rockford, Ill., Feb. 10.—The Chicago theological seminary and numerous other educational and religious institutions are beneficiaries in the will of the late Thomas Robertson. The total bequests amount to $30,000. Among the beneficiaries are: Rockford college, $5,000; Beloit college, $5,000; Rockford Hospital association, $3,000; Chicago theological seminary $3,000. The remainder of the estate with the exception of small legacies is divided equally among the members of the family. The estate was worth about a half million dollars.

JOSEPH A DOUGLAS DEAD

Was Witness in Murder Case and Was Trapped by Lincoln

Topeka, Kas., Feb. 10.—Joseph A. Douglas was killed at his home in Lyndon by falling from a wagon. Douglas was a witness in the historical Armstrong murder trial in Illinois, when William Armstrong was cleared by Abraham Lincoln. Douglas swore he saw Armstrong strike the fatal blow, saying that the moon was very bright at the time. Lincoln produced an old almanac as his only witness, by which he proved there was no moon that night.

DEATHS OF THE DAY

DR. KEGLER.

Dubuque, Feb. 10.—Dr. Kegler, a prominent doctor who established a sanitarium here, expired today after a chase of a block for a street car. Death was due to heart failure.

Death at Carthage, Ill

Carthage, Ill., Feb. 10.—John W. Lionberger, a pioneer and a man prominent in the affairs of Hancock county, died at his home in LaCrosse today of pneumonia, aged 75. He came to this country in 1835.

CHANGE THE DAY

Committee Recommends That Inauguration be Held Last Thursday in April

EXTEND PRESIDENT'S TERM

Senate Puts in Day Arguing Philippine Question — Oleo Bill in House

Washington, Feb. 10.—Senator Hoar, from the committee on privileges and elections today, reported favorably an amendment to the constitution changing the day for the inauguration of the president from March 4 to the last Thursday of April. The resolution provides the change shall take effect in 1895, and extends the term of President Roosevelt from March 4 to that date. Also that hereafter the terms of the senators and members of the house shall begin the last Thursday of April instead of March 4, as at present.

The committee added the following amendment:

"If a house of representatives shall not choose a president whenever the right of choice shall devolve upon them before the last Thursday of April next following, then the vice president shall act as president, as in case of the death or other constitutional disability of the president."

The postoffice of Woodhull, Ill., has been advanced to third class April 1 and thus become presidential.

The senate committee on pensions authorized a favorable report on the bill increasing the pensions of Mexican war veterans to $12 per month.

Senator Mitchell introduced a joint resolution extending the elective franchise to women.

SENATE PROCEEDINGS.

Throughout nearly the entire session of the senate today, the Philippine tariff bill was under consideration. Mr. Turner of Washington concluded his speech begun last Friday on the legal and constitutional phases of the Philippine question. He held, in the main, that as the Filipinos had established an independent government in the islands prior to the fall of Manila, the United States, under the principles of international law had no right in the islands.

Mr. Teller of Colorado took the floor to deliver a speech on the pending measure, but had scarcely introduced his argument before he requested that he be allowed to continue his address tomorrow.

THE OLEO BILL.

General debate on the oleomargarine bill closed today. Friends of the bill have decided to offer an amendment to make the 10 cent tax apply on oleomargarine an imitation of butter "of any shade of yellow." The amendment is designed to meet the charge of the opponent's bill that without this amendment the language of the bill might be construed to absolutely prohibit the sale of oleomargarine. The speakers today were Messrs. Haugen of Iowa, Thomas of Iowa, Shallenberger of Nebraska, Dahle of Wisconsin, Gaines of Tennessee, Lamb of Virginia for the bill; Feely of Illinois, Slaydem of Texas, Mondell of Wyoming, Brantley of Georgia, Wooten of Texas in opposition.

Never Advocated Dynamite

Chicago, Feb. 10.—Replying to a report from London that Colonel Finerty and the men associated with him in directing the policy of the United Irish League of this country, advocate the use of dynamite and rifles, P. Shelley O'Ryan, national secretary of the organization, today gave out an authorized statement emphatically denying the cabled story. He says the United Irish League is the old land league revived and proposes to attain its object by agitation and peaceful means.

Postmasters Confirmed

Washington, Feb. 10.—The senate confirmed these postmasters:

Illinois—E. C. Watson, Assumption; D. G. Williamson, Staunton; Samuel B. Roach, Mason City; W. A. Mussett, Grayville; G. N. Slaten, Graften; J. W. Hancock, Casey; C. A. Kuhl, Pekin; J. E. Gregory, Moweaqua; J. A. Walter, Lockport; G. S. Roush, Lena; E. C. Kreider, Jacksonville.

Tested by Americans

London, Feb. 10.—Sir Thomas Lipton's third challenger for the America's cup will be tested against Shamrock II. with an American skipper and crew on board the latter. The decision is the outcome of a statement that the Columbia was better handled during the cup races last year.

Steamship Arrivals

Liverpool, Feb. 10.—Umbria, from New York.
Glasgow—Sardinia, from Boston.

SAYS IT'S HISTORICAL FACT

North German Gazette Breaks Into the Controversy

Berlin, Feb. 10.—The official North German Gazette this evening joins in the controversy regarding the attitude of the powers previous to the outbreak of the Spanish-American war. It says Pauncefote's proposals April 14th, 1898, were to send a collective note to the United States, declaring American intervention in Cuba to be unjustifiable, is a historical fact, and the Gazette proceeds to characterize as absurd the "attempt now being made to obscure and dispute an event which did not only occur in the presence of the representatives of the two powers, but on which the representatives of all the powers at Washington, after reaching an agreement, reported to their respective governments, April 14th, 1898, simultaneously and identically."

WILL PUBLISH IT ALL.

Berlin, Feb. 10.—The German official declaration in the North German Gazette is the direct consequence of the incredulity expressed by American and English newspapers regarding the disclosures from here of the action of Pauncefote April 14th, 1898. If this declaration is replied to by Great Britain the documents relating to the matter will undoubtedly be published. In the official circles here it is deemed best to wait and see how the statement published this evening in the North German Gazette is received.

The Associated Press learns the transcript of the message of Dr. von Holleben, the German ambassador at Washington, communicating the proposal of Pauncefote, was sent to Emperor William immediately after its receipt and the emperor annotated his flat refusal on the margin of the message. The informant added: "But for the action of Emperor William, Pauncefote's proposal would have been acepted by the other powers."

The German government considers that although its attitude is no more than correct it is quite unwilling that its course should be misunderstood.

BOERS AND BRITISH BUSY

Last Week Witnessed More Fighting Than for Months

London, Feb. 10.—A report from General Kitchener at Pretoria shows that the last week was the liveliest, with the heaviest losses on both sides, for several months. Kitchener gives the Boer casualties at 69 killed, 17 wounded, 57 surrendered and 574 prisoners. The British captured 480 rifles, one pompom and the usual amount of munitions and live stock.

The most serious British loss during the week was the capture of sixty donkey wagons, convoyed by 150 troops. At a point thirty miles from Beaufort west Cape Colony, the enemy swooped down and cut up the convoy before assistance arrived. They were able to remove only twelve wagons and burned the rest. In this engagement the British lost two officers, eleven men killed and one officer and forty-seven wounded, while the Boers lost twenty-four killed and forty-seven wounded.

The Boers also rushed a detachment of one hundred men of Colonel Dorso's column the night of February 3rd, when the British lost three officers, seven men killed and seventeen men wounded.

Von Donop surprised Potgiers laager, near Wolmarstad, Transvaal colony, on February 7th, killing three Boers and capturing thirty-six as well as twenty-five wagons and live stock.

Illinois Postmasters Named

Washington, Feb. 10.—The president today nominated these postmasters:

Illinois—George Lyman, Amboy; Harry B. Ward, DuQuoin; Martin A. Gilson, Harvel; Jerome B. Stewart, Wilmington; John R. Marshall, Yorkville; Frank H. Green, Geneseo; Lucian Bullard, Forrest; Peleg A. Coal, Gibson City.

John Allen's Father Dead

Saturday night Circuit Clerk John Allen received a telegram announcing the critical illness of his father at his home in Fort Bridge, Ind. Mr. Allen left at once for that place. He failed to arrive there in time to see his father alive, his death occurring Sunday forenoon. The deceased was 76 years old.

SPORTING.

Philadelphia, Feb. 10.—Frank Erne of Buffalo failed to put in an appearance tonight to meet Joe Gans of Baltimore. Erne and party arrived this afternoon but left soon after without notifying the management or explaining their action.

Reach No Decision

Washington, Feb. 10.—The second caucus of house republicans held tonight to take action regarding the reduction of representatives from the south because of abridgement of franchise adjourned without reaching a decision.

Denounce German Tariff

Berlin, Feb. 10.—The Farmers Alliance today passed resolutions condemning the tariff bill and demanding its rejection by the reichstag.

IN GRAVE DANGER

Theodore Roosevelt, Jr., is Suffering With Double Pneumonia

CRISIS IS YET TO COME

President's Family Physician is Summoned From New York.

Groton, Mass., Feb. 10.—Theodore Roosevelt, jr., oldest son of the president, has double pneumonia. Otherwise his condition is unchanged tonight. The boy is seriously sick, but it is too early to say what his chances are for recovery. This statement was issued tonight.

President and Mrs. Roosevelt spent a long and anxious day awaiting the crisis of the disease which this morning appeared to have taken such a strong hold on their son. The change for the worse in the boy's condition occurred during the night and showed itself when the regular morning examination was made. Secretary Cortelyou made the announcement this morning of the patient's serious condition, although he said then it was not alarming.

FAMILY PHYSICIAN.

Dr. Lambert, the president's family physician, arrived from New York this evening and after an examination confirmed the diagnosis of the attending physicians and agreed with them that the boy's condition is serious. The crisis is expected tomorrow or Wednesday.

SYMPATHY OF EMPEROR.

Berlin, Feb. 10.—A despatch announcing the gravity of the condition of President Roosevelt's son was communicated to Prince Henry this afternoon by the Associated Press and communicated by the prince to the emperor. Deep sympathy is expressed.

Groton, Feb. 11.—3:30 a. m.—It is understood the patient is now resting easy. An hour ago he complained of difficulty in breathing and pain which caused some delirium.

At this hour it is stated that the patient is no worse than earlier in the night.

Groton, Feb. 11.—2:30 a. m.—The condition of Theodore Roosevelt, Jr., is apparently very serious, for lights can be seen in the infirmary and nurses and doctors are moving around. For the last half hour the voice of the boy calling for water could be heard on the street.

Nothing could be obtained from the house but it is believed the patient is delirious.

LOCAL NEWS NOTES

MOVE BACK.

Suffern, Hunt & Co. will move back to their offices in the elevator building on Monday. During the time that the new portion of the building has been in course of construction they have had their office in the Roberts & Green building on William street.

ENTERTAINS SENIORS.

Professor Vertrees of the high school factulty will entertain the senior physics class this afternoon after school. The time will be pleasantly spent in reciting Monday's lesson and going over the points involved.

FELL FROM CAR.

Carl Shaw, an employe in the Wabash yards, fell from the top of a box car on Monday morning, but was not seriously injured. His back was the most seriously bruised, but he was able to continue work.

INDOOR BASEBALL.

Indoor baseball has become popular at the Y. M. C. A. Until recently there was no such game known in this city. J. H. Keyser, physical director, first introduced it and has steadily grown in favor with the boys of the gymnasium classes.

NEW RESTAURANT.

Clarence Gara has opened a restaurant at 616 East Eldorado street. He has had twelve years' experience as a restaurant keeper in Bloomington and his stock and fixtures are all new and up-to-date. He promises to make a lively chase for some of the other restaurant men on the levee.

WEATHER FORECAST.

Washington, Feb. 10.—The signal service predictions for Illinois are: Increasing cloudiness Tuesday with rising temperature; Wednesday probably snow; west winds becoming fresh southeast.

LOCAL WEATHER.

The following is a record of the temperature for the twenty-four hours ended Monday evening at 7 o'clock as reported by Prof. J. H. Coonradt, government observer:

7 a. m.	10	Highest	...
Noon	21	Lowest	...
7 p. m.	21		

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BOY COMMITS SUICIDE

Presented a Check Purporting to be Signed By His Father and Payment Was Refused

AN ATTEMPT MADE TO INVESTIGATE

But Before Any Information Could Be Secured the Boy Had Committed Suicide by Blowing Top of His Head Off With a Shot Gun.

John A. Kohler, Jr., aged 16 years, committed suicide Friday forenoon at the home of his father, two and one half miles northeast of Decatur. The act was committed with a shotgun, the boy blowing off the left side of his head.

At 10 o'clock Friday forenoon the boy came into the Millikin bank and presented a check for $20, signed by John A. Kohler. The father of the boy had an account at the bank, but the signature was not genuine. The teller to whom the check had been presented, after comparing the signature with the signature record and with other checks, was satisfied that it was not genuine. He called J. M. Brownback and the latter questioned the boy, who insisted that the check had been signed by his father. Henry Kossieck, the plain clothes man of the police force, was in the bank and he was directed by Mr. Brownback to get a rig and take the boy home and learn if a check had been given by John A. Kohler, Sr., and the amount. The officer acted on that suggestion. Arriving at the Kohler home the boy and the officer entered the house. The father was not at home and the officer requested the mother to step aside for a moment's conversation. They went into another room and the officer asked if the father had given the boy a check. Before the mother could answer there was a loud report. Mrs. Kohler, her daughter, who was in the kitchen, and the officer rushed to the pantry and there on the floor was the boy. The upper left half of his head had been blown off by the charge from the shotgun which was lying by his side.

HORRIBLE SIGHT.

Officer Kossieck said that the sight which met the gaze of the poor mother and sister was the most awful he had ever encountered. The weapon used was a short, single barreled shotgun. Evidently the boy had placed the butt of the gun on the floor and leaned forward until the muzzle touched his forehead just above the left eye and then pulled the trigger. He had held the gun at such an angle that as the charge went backward it ranged downward and there was more of the skull torn away at the back than at the front. The walls and ceiling of the pantry were covered with blood.

STILL BREATHING.

The boy, after firing the shot, sank down in a corner, his head resting against a sack of flour. His head had dropped forward on his breast and he was breathing heavily when his mother and sister reached his side. Officer Kossieck said that he would call a doctor but his mother said a physician would be useless and that he should call the coroner.

HURRIED TO TOWN.

Officer Kossieck drove rapidly to Decatur and called Coroner Dawson, stopping at the first house on his way in to tell one of the neighbors that they might go to the Kohler home and render assistance if such a thing was possible. Coroner Dawson and Dr. Meriweather were notified at once and hurried to the Kohler home. Officer Kossieck and Will Freeman, the bank teller, also went out to testify before the coroner's jury.

THE INQUEST

Coroner Dawson impanelled a jury, which heard evidence as follows:

By Edna O. Kohler My brother came to the kitchen between 10 and 11 this morning with Mr. Kossieck. He asked whether father was at home. Mr. Kossieck called mother in the other room. John went into the pantry, I stayed in the kitchen, and the next thing I hear was the shot from the pantry I went into the pantry and found him lying on the floor with his shotgun lying against him. The gun usually stood in the northeast corner of the pantry I could see that the top of his head had been shot off. There was no one in the pantry with him. He must have shot himself. John shut the door of the pantry after him when he went in.

Maria Amelia Kohler My son John came with Mr. Kossieck to the kitchen this morning. I knew at once something was wrong, for they both looked scared. Mr. Kossieck asked if John's father was at home. Edna said he was not. He then asked me if I was his mother and I answered yes. He asked me to come into the other room. He asked something about a check. I don't know just what. I heard a report and ran into the kitchen and looked into the pantry and saw him (my son) lying with his head to the west. Saw that his head was torn open. Mr. Kossieck asked if he should go for the neighbors and I told him that he should go for the coroner, as he was dead.

A. W. Freeman—John A. Kohler, Jr., appeared this morning at the Millikin National bank [illegible] 10 and 11 o'clock and presented a check for $20, signed J. A. Kohler. The signature did not look genuine, so I compared it with the signature we have on file and also compared it with other checks signed by J. A. Kohler. There was such a difference in the signatures that I called Mr. Brownback's attention to it. Brownback asked the boy if his father signed the check and he said that he had. He told him (the boy) that on account of the difference between the signature on that check and on others in possession of the bank he would send a man out with him and ask his father if he signed the check. Henry Kossieck was in the bank and Brownback sent him. Don't know whether the boy had an account at the bank. When questioned the boy did not appear nervous. Simply answered questions asked him.

Henry Kossieck Went to the Millikin bank about 10 o'clock this morning. Was called to the front of the bank and Mr. Brownback said, "Get a rig and take this boy to his father's house and ask him if he gave his boy a check and find out the amount of the check. If he hasn't given him the check have the father come in. Came out here with the boy, John A. Kohler, Jr. On the way out I asked the boy if his father had given him this check and he said that he had and that it was for $20. We came into the house. The boy was ahead of me. He walked through the room into the kitchen. His sister said that his father was not in. I then asked his mother to come into the other room and asked her if she knew whether his father had given him a check. She said that the boy's name was the same as his father's and also said something about money in the bank. Just then I heard a report from the kitchen. The boy's sister first, the mother second and myself last ran into the kitchen and saw him lying in the pantry with his head against two flour sacks at the west end of the room. I saw a bloody place on his head. I heard him breathing. Suggested a doctor, but the mother said there was no need of a doctor, to get the coroner. I got into the rig and notified the neighbors. I went into town and told Mr. Brownback to notify the coroner and send out a doctor. The boy did not seem nervous or frightened. Did not attempt to explain.

THE VERDICT.

The jury hearing the evidence was composed of Tyler Meriweather, Pleasant Sams, Andrew Benge, A. L. Newlin, R. E. Boneham and J. W. Christy. The verdict was that death was due to a gunshot wound inflicted by himself with suicidal intent.

ONE GUESS.

The unfortunate boy is said by all who knew him to have been industrious and honest and not given to any bad habits. Recently he sold some geese which were his private property. On Thursday night he talked about putting money in the bank and asked what method was necessary to deposit money. The sum written on the check was the sum he had in his pocket, the receipts of his sale of the geese. There is one opinion that the boy was trying to deposit his $20 and that when questions were asked concluded that he had best say that his father had signed the check. Of course all that is mere supposition. His father was not in the least close with the boy. The boy was permitted to take his father's wallet when he went to town and spend what money he desired for necessities and there was never any trouble about his extravagance.

DID NOT SEEM FRIGHTENED.

On the way to the farm he and the officer did not talk about the check except that one question was asked him, "Did your father give you that check?" and he answered in the affirmative. Then the conversation turned on other things. When they arrived at the house Kossieck got out of the buggy, the boy asked, "Shall I stay here in the buggy or shall I go into the house?" Kossieck answered that he might as well go into the house instead of staying out in the cold. Then the boy led the way into the kitchen where his mother and sister were busy with their household duties.

SUDDENLY ENDED.

The whole thing at the farm house happened in a few moments. Kossieck at once asked for the father and was told he was not on the farm. Then he and Mrs. Kohler went into another room and as they did so the boy walked toward the pantry. Before Kossieck could fairly make known the object of his visit the report of the gun was heard. The boy had not even stopped to remove his gloves.

The time of the funeral has not been announced.

Miss Trena Miller came home yesterday after a visit of several days with friends in Champaign.

Law Suit at Monticello

Marshall Griffin returned Friday from Monticello, where he went to try the case of Benjamin and Matilda Schuh vs. Horace Haldman. Mr. Griffin and Judge Davidson of Monticello appeared for the plaintiff and Reed & Eddy of Monticello and Judge W. G. Cloyd for the defendant.

The case was one in which the Schuhs asked damages for $5000 for fraud alleged to have occurred in the sale of some land by the defendant to them in 1897. At that time they purchased a tract of land in Tennessee of Haldaman, described as one and a half miles west from a little town, the title to which he warranted as clear. The land proved to be a barren slip off of the Cumberland mountains and eighteen miles from anywhere.

The case went to the jury at 5 o'clock Thursday evening and at 8:30 they returned a verdict for the plaintiffs of $2500, the price paid for the land.

Deeds Recorded.

Raymond G. Francis to Ida L. Perry, lot 21 in block 1 in Riverside addition to Decatur; $2,600.

Robert Pemble to David O. Brist, the southeast quarter of the southwest quarter of 20, 17, 4 east; $1.

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Killed by a Train

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MOTION TO QUASH

Indictment Against Mayor Shilling is Attacked by the Defense as Being Defective

ARGUMENTS NOT CONCLUDED

Knoblock and Kopisch Not Guilty—Many Saloons Cases Certified to the County Court Friday

In the circuit court Friday the principal business was hearing arguments on the motion to quash the indictment against Mayor Shilling.

Messrs. J. J. Finn and Hugh Crea appeared for the defense and J. L. Deck, O. C. Adams, I. A. Buckingham and W. E. Redmon for the people.

J. J. Finn opened for the defense and spoke for nearly two hours. The objections were largely technical as to the wording of the indictment. The first objection was that the indictment had failed to say that Charles F. Shilling had been legally elected and installed as mayor and merely said that he was mayor of the city. The main objection, however, was on the score of the irresponsibility of the mayor for a rigid enforcement of the ordinances. It was argued that while he was the chief executive, charged with the enforcement of the law it did not follow that because certain ordinances were being violated, that he was guilty of misfeasance even though he had general knowledge of that violation. It was argued that the mayor could not be expected to know personally of each and every violation and personally see that all ordinances were enforced.

The arguments were not concluded at the adjournment of court. W. E. Redmon for the people is yet to be heard and it is likely that when he has concluded that Hugh Crea for the defense will close the argument. If the motion to quash the indictment is sustained that will end the case. Otherwise the hearing will be called for Monday afternoon at 1 o'clock.

The case of Knoblock and Kepisch, two boys charged with stealing corn from the field of a farmer living northeast of the city, resulted in a verdict of not guilty.

Judge Vail heard additional evidence in the Rose divorce case and gave the woman the decree she asked.

The big fight which was expected in the liquor cases on indictments returned by the famous grand jury of the October term seems likely to have been declared off. Thursday a number of the saloon men pleaded guilty to one count each of indictments charging them with keeping open on Sunday and got off with the minimum fine, but the court gave notice that that plan would go no more. Friday a number of cases where the saloon men are charged with selling liquor to minors were certified to the county court and often that means the beginning of the end of such cases.

The orders entered on the dockets Friday were as follows:

CHANCERY.

Mamie Rose vs. D. N. Rose; divorce. Cause heard by court. Decree as prayed.

PEOPLE'S DOCKET.

Thomas Knoblock and Will Kopisch; petty larceny. Verdict of jury not guilty.

Henry Grobe, keeping open tippling house. Defendant fined $10 and costs on plea of guilty to one count.

Joseph and Rudolph Fahrnkolf; selling liquor to minors. Nolle.

C. F. Shilling; misfeasance in office. Motion by people to elect and motion overruled. Motion to quash the indictment and each and every count.

Robert Stewart; gaming. Defendant pleads guilty to one count and is fined $10 and costs.

AN EXECUTION AT PEORIA

Sheriff Issuing Invitations to the Hanging of Hinkle

Sheriff Kinser of Peoria has issued invitations to the execution of Joseph E. Hinkle, which is to take place in the corridors of the county jail February 14 between the hours of 9 a. m. and 4 p. m. The invitations call for 9 o'clock in the morning and it is presumed that the execution will take place shortly after that hour. Last week the father of Hinkle and his attorney, Harry Watts, visited Governor Yates and asked for a commutation of the sentence to life imprisonment. They got no satisfaction and will make a second trip this week. Their chances of success are very remote owing to the particularly brutal character of the murder and the further fact that only two of the jurors and none of those engaged in the prosecution have joined in the request for the commutation. Hinkle, in a fit of jealousy, stabbed his wife fatally a number of times.

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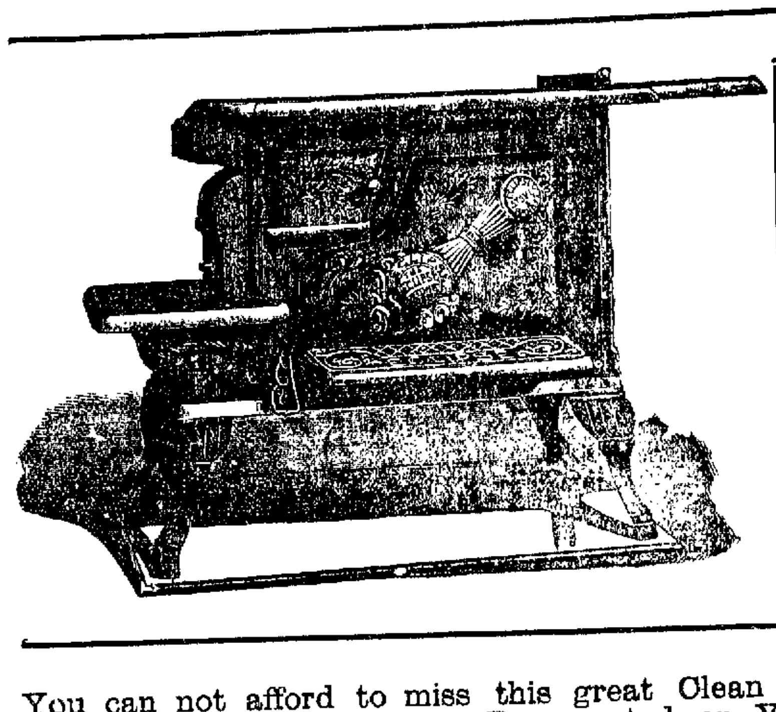
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5-46, 5-47	Men's Cadet Kid Lace Shoes, made from finest calf skins, on broad, easy lasts, latest shapes and superior grades, two style toes, Regent $3.50 line, only	$2.48
5-48	Men's Calf Skin, lace, Goodyear welt soles, superior stock, extra values, will not scuff, made for service, and yet good style, Regent $3.50 line, only	$2.98
35-7	Men's Calf Skin, lace, Goodyear welt soles, full stock calf and good values at $2.50, now only	$1.98
5-12	Men's Colt Skin, lace, Goodyear welt soles, extra good values. The shapes are good, some with plain toes, sizes broken. Rugby $3.50 line now only	$1.98
48-3	Men's Kangaroo Kip Congress, extra wide lasts, heavy double soles, made for service and cheap at regular price, $2.50; now only	$1.98
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[illegible] ago the papers were full [illegible] of tetanus or lockjaw [illegible]

ANTI-VACCINATION DOCTOR FALLS VICTIM TO SMALL POX

[illegible] the facts. A reply [illegible] few days ago Superintendent [illegible] that the total [illegible] of tetanus was 12. The population of 77,000 and [illegible] and during the [illegible] the [illegible] health [illegible] all vaccination [illegible] who had not been vaccinated [illegible] admitted to the schools. Since [illegible] vaccination of children [illegible] Superintendent Bevan said that no children [illegible] into the public schools [illegible] had been vaccinated. The city [illegible] cases of smallpox [illegible] schools were closed for a month [illegible]. During that time the school [illegible] thoroughly cleaned [illegible] Superintendent Bevan says [illegible] the doctors [illegible] against vaccination claim [illegible] keep one's self [illegible] preventive and one prescribed [illegible] Will last Saturday [illegible] was stricken with smallpox [illegible]

[illegible] in the city who had taken [illegible] The result is [illegible] the present time [illegible] vaccination. All those who were afflicted with tetanus died but [illegible] the tetanus was not caused by vaccination further than that it [illegible] the disease germs to [illegible] from the atmosphere [illegible] proper [illegible] was not taken. The people of Camden are [illegible] being done with vaccination."

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"I won [illegible] case with one of James Whitcomb Riley's poems," says [illegible] gressman [illegible] of Indiana, who is [illegible] lawyer, "and so I stand for him. I was defending a man [illegible] with stealing silk, and it looked [illegible] for him that I decided on an appeal to the jury. I did the best I could with the evidence, but I laid it most on the fact that the defendant was a young man with a wife and child and that it would go hard to all of them to have him go to the penitentiary for a term of years. My whole argument led up to the point where I closed with Riley's little poem, 'Back [illegible] Two Years Sentence.' When I finished the jury was in tears and even the judge and the attorney for the prosecution were affected. The jury took just one ballot and returned a verdict of not guilty."

WON A LAW SUIT BY RECITING A POEM

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Gov. Shaw of Iowa, the recently appointed secretary of the treasury, tells this story of a personal experience [illegible] Iowa [illegible] old [illegible] brought [illegible] the stand and the opposing counsel was examining him. After the usual preliminary questions as to the witness's residence and the like, he proceeded:

"[illegible] your occupation?"

"No."

"Don't you [illegible] work of any kind?"

ATTORNEY BY PERSISTING IN ALLY GOT INTO TROUBLE

"No."

"Just loaf around home."

"That's about all."

"What does your father do?"

"Nothin' much."

"Doesn't he do anything to support the family?"

"He does odd jobs once in a while when he can get them."

"As a matter of fact, isn't your father a pretty worthless fellow, a dead beat and a loafer?"

"I don't know, sir; you'd better ask him. He's sittin' over there on the jury."

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It's the winnings you hear of most of [illegible] and not what a man loses, especially if he's jumping into the grain market. But they lose nine times out of ten [illegible] they keep at it. The man who thinks he is smooth in the end demonstrates [illegible] perhaps he does not believe it that [illegible] the suckers. He talks about [illegible] corn [illegible] and all that sort [illegible] and [illegible] good [illegible] for the other fellow. The stories of the winnings spread like wildfire, but sometimes it takes weeks or maybe months for the public to get next to the losses. A few weeks ago all of the speculators were talking about a lucky cuss who for a year or two had made only lucky deals. It was evident that he was either more shrewd than the majority or was enjoying a run of luck that was phenomenal. In less than three years he had accumulated $40,000. Several weeks ago it was whispered from Chicago to the fellows in the country that rye was the best thing in sight and after a critical examination a lot of the country fellows approved the opinion of their brothers on the board of trade and invested. Our friend with the forty thousand velvet bought a few thousand [illegible]. On paper he was carrying train loads of rye. When all of the country fellows were [illegible] the [illegible] commenced. [illegible] was not [illegible] to the speed

DEAL IN RYE COST ONE SPECULATOR ABOUT $25,000.

with which the price of rye took a tumble. Some of the holders did not believe it. Before they could get their breath long enough to let go the price had reached a point they had not dreamed possible. Some of them put up more margins again and again but there was no let up to the slump. The man with the train loads of paper realized, so his intimates say, one morning when the weather was good for the bears that within less than a week instead of being forty thousand more to the good he had dropped $25,000. He was not alone. He could not count on his fingers all of the men he knew who had dabbled in that prospect and all of them shared alike, the only difference being in the amount they lost. It is said that when the clean up came some of the speculators refused to put up the margins they had promised and that there are possible law suits in sight as a result of that slump in rye.

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A young man who recently graduated from college started a paper in Kansas, says the erudite [illegible] of the [illegible] News. He had been nibbling at Ed Howe's "Globe Sights" in the Atchison Globe and concluded to be cute and philosophical like Ed. He began like this:

FIRST EFFORT OF AN ASPIRANT FOR EDITORIAL HONORS

"No mother ever gave the urchin a piece of pie who cries and frets, but it will be a cold day in summer if a hen's eggs hatch if she [illegible] not turn them [illegible] you [illegible] between the lines.)"

A neighboring Kansas paper suggests that the youth may have had something on his mind when he started this 'piece' but that he forgot what it was before he got through.

A little while ago the papers were telling of a high school graduate who got a job at reporting on a paper. The following is the first copy he turned in. It was likewise the last:

"A bad boy caught a dog with [illegible] tied [illegible] after fixing him up [illegible] his liking sent the poor creature down the street at every jump. He ran over a horse with a tin can tied to his tail and the horse took fright and tore up the street, knocking a lady down carrying a bucket of milk with a buggy wheel and broke her ankle at the corner of Fifth street and doing over great damage besides spilling the milk which could not be stopped until the milk was reached owned by Mr. Jones, who was killed while walking down the street by a stroke of lightning with a fence rail on his shoulder so far back that a few of the oldest inhabitants knew of the sad occurrence residing in our town."

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THE OLDEST TOWN IN THE STATE IS MACKINAW

The village of Mackinaw in Tazewell county puts in a claim for being the oldest town in the state since Kaskaskia has disappeared from the map. It was founded in 1823 and at one time had a log courthouse said to be the oldest in the state. At that time Woodford and McLean formed part of Tazewell county and Mackinaw was the county seat. But its glory departed in 18[illegible] and the old courthouse now exists only in sections painted out as relics of the long ago.

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HOW A FIFTH WARD PRIMARY WAS ONCE CARRIED

The ways and means in political campaigns is revealed by some of the testimony in the libel suit during the last two weeks recalls to mind a trick that was worked in the fifth ward several years ago at a primary called by the democrats to elect a candidate for alderman. One aspirant felt that he had a sure thing and neglected to give any attention to the important work of selecting tellers at the primary. The result was that he was defeated but he gained knowledge of possibilities he had not dreamed of. The man defeated was not the only one who before the primary believed he had a large margin of vantage. The supporters of the supposed weak candidate made up in schemes what they lacked in numbers. The voting was done by passing the hat around the room among the assembled voters. The place was dimly lighted and the opportunity for schemes was the best. The teller had been prepared for his business long before he came into the room. Beneath the sweatband of his hat he had carefully folded a lot of ballots on which were written the name of his favorite. In taking out the ballots regularly cast it was easy to run his fingers under the sweat band and let down a lot of the made to order ballots and the count showed to the sure thing man that he had under estimated the caliber of his opponent.

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A PLAN FOR PUTTING UP STREET SIGNS IS NOW BEING CONSIDERED

The committee appointed by the city council at a recent meeting to investigate the matter of putting up street signs is at work and in due time they will make a report. Some investigations have been made along this line. Letters have been sent to different cities asking for information and a number of suggestions have come from citizens. Ed Kuny who is at Battle Creek, Mich., writes to the committee of the plan in operation there. He states that at the intersection of every street there is an iron post supporting two arms. On either arm is a sign indicating the name of the street. Where there are suitable posts, such as telegraph or telephone, the iron support is done away with and the arms are fastened to the wooden post. This seems to be as good a plan as any. Members of the local committee say, however, that they believe that there should be an iron post at every corner and they say also that it is their belief that the signs should be painted in letters three or four inches long so that the street names will be easily discernible to both old and young. Said a member of the committee: "It may be some time before we are able to submit our report. We are going into the question very thoroughly and want to do it right. In my opinion there will be some surprise at the cost. It looks like a little matter but when you stop to figure the cost of posts, sign painting and putting them up you can realize that it is going to call for quite an expenditure. In my judgment the cost will be something like $2500. We are also to rename a number of streets. It is in this particular that the public will be hard to please for the committee is likely to work a revolution. We may introduce an entirely new system, but it will be simpler and much easier understood than the present one."

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AN OPINION OF DECATUR SCHOOLS AND A COMPARISON

"Your old schools are twenty years behind the times," said an angry woman, as she sat down beside Superintendent Gastman in his office the other day. "You have no system or order like they have in the Danville and Mattoon schools." The superintendent, who has learned to receive parents in all kinds of humors, was at a loss to know what had caused the woman's ire. After he had questioned her he learned that the trouble was due to the fact that her children had been taken from one school and sent to another. Such changes as these have recently been made necessary owing to the fact that one school happened to be crowded while others were not. Each case of this kind, however, is carefully looked into and in some cases where good reason appears the change is not made. After talking with the woman for a time the situation was explained to her and she became more reasonable and went away satisfied. The portion of the interview which amused the superintendent was the comparison that had been made. Both schools which the woman held up as superior to this city have sent representatives to Decatur to study the plan pursued here.

"AUNT SALLY'S PIES"
BY CHESTER A. SMITH.

[illegible] said Simpkins suddenly [illegible] into the [illegible] if we only [illegible] pumpkin pie. [illegible] brought a howl [illegible] from [illegible] of the [illegible] more or less [illegible]. [illegible] Aunt Sally [illegible] [illegible] pumpkin pie [illegible] and he threw [illegible] his blanket with his back [illegible] what must have [illegible] the faces of the [illegible] thought of destiny [illegible]

[illegible] book and cranny without [illegible] in disgust we picked [illegible] our minds. We followed the [illegible] many days [illegible] provisions [illegible] exhausted we started [illegible] back to the [illegible] village where [illegible] We walked steadily till nightfall and then we began to [illegible] the [illegible] But just as hope had [illegible] came suddenly upon a house which was familiar to both of us. It was [illegible] miles from our little village and was used many times by belated travelers as an inn. Here lived Aunt Sally, as she was called by every [illegible] miles around. She had [illegible] many a time on her knee [illegible] and [illegible] was [illegible] time to [illegible] Aunty [illegible] reputation [illegible] She was the famous pumpkin pie maker of that part of the country. But I [illegible] ever tasted her good pies [illegible] and she sent them in two [illegible] a week [illegible] a few miles across the line. Put [illegible] a favorite [illegible] myself on her pie and such pies as she made I never expect to taste again. And Steve [illegible]

[illegible] and I were received with true country hospitality and after clearing the table [illegible] we hopped up in our bunks to sleep as only tired men can.

It was late the next morning when I awoke with the appetite of a bear newly awakened from its all winter sleep. I lay thinking of our trip and wishing I could find something to eat when the [illegible] collection of Aunty's pies came [illegible] The love [illegible] to resist I could not. The taste of pumpkin was in my mouth and the longing in my heart. I slowly climbed out and shook Laxy.

"Laxy," I said when he was sufficiently awake to understand, "Let us have something to eat. I'm hungry."

"So am I," he responded and clambered out.

In [illegible] ghostly [illegible] proceeded to the kitchen. Not a sound did we make as we hunted through the pantry for our lunch. But we could not find a thing and every minute we became more and more hungry. In this state I suddenly came upon a compartment apart from the rest. Here we found something which closely resembled cradles.

"Huh," grunted Laxy, "I'm starved," and he lighted a match. I gave a shriek of delight which came near rousing the house for there before us were six of those famous pies. I never hesitated. Then gold [illegible] drove every [illegible] from my brain. Seizing one I handed it to Laxy who smiled in approval and with a fine one for myself we went back to our room.

Never will I forget those minutes my watering lips [illegible] found those luscious [illegible]. As mouthful after mouthful disappeared our spirits rose higher and higher but my pleasant realizations were interrupted by an exclamation from Laxy.

Laxy stuck something [illegible] he exclaimed in a disgusted whisper. "It is a stone or something in that and [illegible] with [illegible] stones [illegible] supposed to improve the flavor."

I lighted a match and there in Laxy's hand lay a [illegible] diamond. I hastily examined my pie and sure enough there were two or more neatly laid in [illegible] The game was out; it was as plain as day. They were the transportation committee that carried the diamonds a few in each pie across the line. They were taken I suppose to a bogus pastry shop from where they were easily disposed.

"I suppose you reported it at once and received the reward," remarked [illegible] of the party.

But Steve looked at me, "Huh," he grunted and then continued.

Laxy looked at me and I looked at Laxy [illegible] Laxy [illegible] known Aunt Sally ever since I was a [illegible] and [illegible] the man [illegible] this smuggling [illegible] And Laxy grinned and suggested we tackle another pie. We did, to good advantage.

Next morning we told Aunt Sally that the game was up but assured her the secret was safe with us for all [illegible] safe as the pies were stopped [illegible]. And Laxy also suggested that she give us a few pies to eat along the road which she did with trembling hands and assurance that the Lord would never forget us. With this welcome burden we started for home.

A few days later we heard that we had lost our famous pumpkin pie baker and there was much wonder as to their whereabouts and their sudden leave. And since that time diamond smuggling around there has stopped completely much to the surprise of the authorities. And I have never heard of Aunt Sally since or any of her pies neither," he remarked [illegible] his lips in a suggestive way.

"But," protested another of the party, "you ought to have reported them, no matter if they were old friends. The law should never be trifled with."

"But you never tasted pumpkin pies like those," said Steve as if that settled the question and the rest of us in our state of abandonment agreed, with a vow that it was reason enough.

PRESS AND LABOR

American Federation Declines to Boycott a Paper for Its Opinion

At a recent session of the American Federation of Labor an important question arose and was answered in the right way. The federation was asked to boycott a newspaper for its expressions on labor issues and the committee on resolutions declined to do so, stating that the federation did not wish to interfere with the honest views of any person or publication.

With all due respect to the newspaper concerned and to the American Federation of Labor the question of a free press is larger than both of them. It seems almost impossible to believe that less than two centuries ago it was a crime to report the debates of the house of commons. Put the golden age of Queen Anne was in [illegible] of [illegible] as to the printer. Men of high intellect and stainless [illegible] resisted what we now regard as a very moderate measure of liberty to the press. The stubborn obstructives were to be found on this side of the ocean as well as in England. One who reads the splendid record of the Federalist party is surprised that it fell from power, but a partial explanation can be found in its unwise effort to stifle criticism by stamping out the newspapers of the opposition. Jefferson showed his political wisdom by neglecting to use the legal powers of annoyance placed in his hands.

In every stage period of [illegible] we can [illegible] witness [illegible] the old desire of politicians to interfere with the liberty of the press. All good citizens believe that there is a boundary that must be respected, and some excellent persons have in their zeal for worthy causes forgotten the value of liberty. Scurrilous scribes have angered many people and indeed [illegible] the old repressive laws are ever enacted it will be because offensive publications have undone themselves. Nevertheless the good results of an untrammeled press have been seen in a thousand directions. The fear of newspaper exposure is continually operative [illegible] the transgressors [illegible] and many incredible acts of cruelty are prevented by the dread that the evil deed if done will be scattered before the entire community.

Labor organizations are of all societies least able to ignore or violate the rights of the press. Years after the newspapers had won their great battle labor was still bound by the old conspiracy laws. The right to organize, the mechanics' lien, the employer's liability statutes, the act requiring safety appliances are recent triumphs. All these triumphs were won and held because of a free press.

There never was a time when wise and conservative labor organizations were more needed than they are today. Vast combinations of capital ought to be balanced by strong bodies of laboring men. But if labor organizations should forget that a free press made them possible and should copy the foolish tactics of the past the results would be saddening to every true friend of labor.—Philadelphia Ledger.

John Burns on Drink

No voice addressed to Anglo-Saxon wage earners provokes wider response, or more rightly so, than that of John Burns. His life has been identified with working class interests. His position in parliament has been used to advocate [illegible] social legislation, and in the London city council he has championed philanthropic enterprises calculated to raise the standard of common life. In public address he always deals with subjects concretely and with great common sense.

In a recent speech in London to working people he laid earnest stress upon the enormous evils of drink. He recounted with facts and figures the overcrowded housing conditions of London, the amount of pauperism, the great though decreasing amount of criminality, the prevalence of betting, the tendency toward increased isolation of rich and poor. "Put," he added, "I deem it my duty to say that but for drink and its concomitant evils our problem would be smaller and our tendencies more effective." "To think more and to drink less" was his counsel even for those in the most depressing conditions.

For reducing the British drink bill of $800,000,000 per year, or $20 per head, he advocated "abstinence" as the best and most simple remedy for the individual and the restriction of the number of drinking places as the duty of public authorities generally. He quoted Liverpool as having, since 1889, reduced its police drunkenness cases from 10,000 to 4180, its crime from 926 to 552 per 100,000, its policemen by 200, at a saving of $40,000 to the rate, by the simple remedy of having got rid of 315 licensed premises in eleven years. Then he urged a similar policy for London.

This address, like all John Burns' utterances on the subject of drink, has the value of coming from one who is himself a total abstainer.

A Page Every Day

A Chicago department store has just closed a contract for a page advertisement a day for an entire year. The amount of money involved is about $120,000. The contract is one of the largest ever placed in this country. John Wanamaker of New York and Philadelphia was the first merchant to take a page of space for a year. At the present time he has half a dozen such pages running in different New York and Philadelphia papers.

A FEW GOOD RECIPES

One of Them May Furnish an Idea for a Dinner

ALMOND CREAM CAKES—Cream one half cup butter, then add one cup sugar and cream again; add to this two egg yolks and whip until light, then add one half cup milk, one teaspoon vanilla, one half teaspoon almond extract, one heaping teaspoon baking powder, two cups flour; fill small buttered cups two thirds full and bake to deep straw color. When done and cool remove the soft crumb from centers, filling the cavities with a whipped cream flavored with almond. If the cream does not whip stiffly, add one tablespoon gelatine dissolved in a little hot water.

PIGEONS POTTED—Place [illegible] cleaned birds in a deep kettle with one pint vinegar and three onions; let stand over night, then throw the vinegar and onions away. Brown six slices of pork and two onions sliced, place in the kettle with the pigeons, add one pint hot water, salt and pepper, cover and simmer about two hours. Serve the pigeons on a hot dish about a mound of parsley, strain the liquor, thicken and pass in a gravy boat.

POMELO PUNCH—Punch served in ice wells is quite the correct thing for formal functions. Select a clear cake of ice about 18 inches square. Fill an oval, square or oblong cake pan with hot water, placing the dish on the ice; when it will sink forming the well, remove the pan and place the ice on a piece of cloth folded several times on a perforated pan or a trivet set in a deeper pan to catch the dripping. This can be hidden by green foliage. Turn the punch into the well and make it very strong as the melting ice will dilute it. If preferred, a glass bowl can be fitted to the well, the beverage turned into this, the ice keeping it the correct temperature.

The following pomelo punch is a delicious beverage. Boil two pounds sugar and three quarts water until the consistency of honey, cool and add juice of dozen tart oranges, six lemons, grated rind of four oranges and three lemons, one quart canned pineapple juice, one quart canned strawberry juice, one pint sherry wine. Let stand three hours, then strain into the ice block. Serve in lemon glasses.

STEAMED FRUIT CAKE—Steamed fruit cake is lighter, better and more digestible than the cake cooked in the manner sanctioned by long custom in the oven. The following recipe is for two good sized cakes. It is well if one goes to the trouble of making the cake at all to make enough to last a year. If the wisdom of this is questioned half the quantities given in the following recipe may be used. One and one half pounds each of dark brown sugar, butter and flour, 18 eggs—whites and yolks beaten separately—two pounds of raisins, two pounds of currants, one half pound each of sliced citron and candied lemon peel, one cupful of molasses in which one level teaspoonful of soda has been beaten, one wineglassful of brandy, two tablespoonfuls of cinnamon, one level tablespoonful each of allspice and cloves, one level teaspoonful of mace and one grated nutmeg. Cream the butter, add the sugar and beaten egg yolks and cream again until it is very light. Now add spices, fruit (rolled in some of the flour), [illegible] brandy, flour and last of all the whites of the eggs. Pour in two buttered cake pans, steam three hours and then bake one hour in a moderate oven. Be sure the water in the pot below the steamer is boiling when the cake is put in and that it does not fall below the boiling point during the three hours.

TURON CHICHARA (Cuban)—Cook until a thick syrup one and one half pounds of sugar and three cups of water, then add one cup of honey. Boil until a little dropped in cold water will snap. Have ready the stiffly beaten whites of six eggs; add the syrup a little at a time to the eggs, beating all the time. Beat until stiff and cold, then add one pound of almonds that have been blanched, cut in strips and brown slightly in the oven. Pour into a dish and serve at any time.

DULCE DE LECHE (Cuban sweet of milk)—Put three pints of milk on to boil in a copper or granite saucepan, adding an inch bit of cinnamon. When the milk is boiling put in three and a half pints of golden brown sugar or white may be used; put in also a few bits of lemon rind. Boil slowly, stirring all the time until a little dropped in cold water will form a soft ball. Remove from the fire and stir briskly for a few moments until it thickens a little. Pour it onto a marble slab and roll it out an inch thick with a rolling pin; cut in small squares.

A Strange Visitor

For the first time in history a quail visited the Journal-Republican office Wednesday afternoon. It flew again the door and kept fluttering there until the door was opened and then it walked on the front desk and allowed itself to be freely handled.

Somehow the bird had hurt its foot which was soon discovered and bound up. The quail remained on the hand of one of the editors for a few moments but when its mate flew by the bird took flight and soon had disappeared in the distance.—Tuscola Journal-Republican.

WOULD NOT BE SCRATCHED

The police of [illegible] Lake [illegible] Warren who refused to be vaccinated [illegible] from the quarantine [illegible] The board of health notified the police to arrest him and if he refused to be vaccinated to quarantine him in his room in the [illegible] block for two weeks.

CANDIDATES FOR OFFICE

Politicians Grow in Moultrie—Bean May Retire From Supervisors

The Sullivan News last week contained the announcement of the candidacy of F. H. Uppendahl as a candidate for the republican nomination for legislative honors. He has served one term in the general assembly, being elected on the republican ticket when Moultrie and Macon county were in the same district. Mr. Uppendahl is the well known [illegible] of Dalton City.

Moultrie county has another candidate for the legislature in the person of James A. Gregory of Lovington. He is one of the best known republicans in Moultrie county, having been for many years an active and consistent worker in the party ranks. He has never been a candidate for elective positions but was a delegate to the republican national convention which nominated Harrison and was postmaster at Lovington.

Politicians grow in Moultrie county. There's Jack Baker, as he is known to his friends, otherwise Hon. J. H. Baker, attorney at law. He's a candidate for the democratic nomination of clerk of the appellate court of the third district. If pure unadulterated democracy were the only qualification necessary no man in the state would have better claim on his party than Jack Baker. He's a democrat of the unterrified kind. He has taken off his coat and gone after this nomination in the same fashion that he has taken off his coat and worked for his party since he was old enough to vote. If some other fellow beats him to the place he'll know that he has had a race.

MAY RETIRE

W. H. Bean, member of the board of supervisors from Pleasant View township, has confided to some of his friends on the board that he will not be a candidate for reelection in April. At present Mr. Bean is in years of continuous service the oldest member of the board, having been there at least ten years. It is suspected that he has an eye on the legislature.

Supervisor Nickey of Oakley has confided to his brother members that he may not be a candidate at the coming election, but his assertions on that question are not so positive as those made by Mr. Bean.

WILSON AFTER IT

For the republican nomination for sheriff there are already several avowed candidates, but thus far there is only one man in the field for the democratic nomination. T. G. Wilson, who has during the incumbency of Sheriff G. W. Lehman served as a deputy sheriff, is credited with making a quiet but persistent canvass for the nomination at the hands of his party.

BOUGHT AT $105

Land Near Hayes Is Sold for $105 and Makes Money on His Investment

Biehl farm southeast of Hayes for $105 per acre. The land is only fairly well improved but M. Kline was perfectly willing to give $400 for the 80 acres.

Frank Bennett has bought the A. M. Lewis farm, near the brick church at $107 an acre.—Tuscola Journal-Republican.

Marriage Licenses

Augustus Glatz, Decatur ... 20
Emma E. Herwig, Nokomis ... 20

[illegible] & [illegible]

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[illegible] bought by our [illegible] too many [illegible] Clear- [illegible] for less [illegible] of charge [illegible] time and [illegible] up-to-date. Not

COOK STOVES [illegible]

[illegible] Sweep Sale. We [illegible] Your Money Back.

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[illegible] enamels and [illegible] bargain if you [illegible] $1.98

[illegible] kangaroo calf and [illegible] $1.69

[illegible] Miller Shoes, a few [illegible] A and B widths, $2.48

[illegible] heavy soles, good [illegible] The style $1.98

[illegible] welt soles, drop [illegible] all sizes, $1.98

[illegible] in large variety, [illegible] tops or kid tops, [illegible] $1.24

[illegible] all solid leather and [illegible] 98c

[illegible] Child's sizes, 89c

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The Iowa legislature promptly killed a bill providing for electrocution. Hanging is probably good enough for the Iowans.

Four criminals recently sawed their way out a Washington, D. C., prison aided by two women. In this case the women were not in it.

Iowa has a man worth $50,000 whose name is Harkupp. The average fellow, if worth that amount, would be able to endure any kind of a name.

General Bell is a matter of fact man as well as a fighter. He says that as long as there are traitors at home the Filipinos will be in rebellion. There will always be traitors at home.

The Buffalo Express says a western man has written to his representative for volumes of the congressional record containing obituaries, saying: "There is nothing I read with so much pleasure as obituaries of dead congressmen." The best humor is unconscious.

General Bell says he has discovered that the American woman is the best civilizer in the world and that one of them can do more in the Philippines than a company of men. The general may have been reconstructed by one of those American school ma'ams.

Recently the announcement was made that there is no show for the young man in this country and still later the announcement was made that there is no show for the old man in this country. This points the conclusion that the whole difficulty could be settled by killing off the young men and leaving the whole business to the women who never grow old.

"REFORM IS NECESSARY."

In the trial of the Herald libel case it developed that candidates for office are persistently held up by boodlers for money ostensibly to carry precincts. The laws in relation to these political hyenas are very severe. But this law is seldom enforced for several reasons. In the first place a candidate who has become a prey to these sandbaggers shuns the notoriety a prosecution of this kind of people would give him. This practice has become a political scandal in Decatur and a disgrace to the city. While the trial developed that Foster is a past master in this kind of business he is not the only one who makes a business of it during campaigns. Since the congressional campaign of 1898 the gang has been multiplied into scores. Some of them have worked themselves into membership on the central committee where they can not only bleed candidates at primaries but which gives them control of whatever funds the committee doles out to districts for election expenses. These cormorants not only hold up candidates but on several occasions where renominations were conceded to faithful officials they have managed to induce unsuspecting persons to enter the race in order to force not only such persons but the favorite candidate to give them boodle. The public has no idea how much of this business is done and that some men who pass as respectable citizens engage in it. It is not confined to a single party either. The Herald having been challenged by W. W. Foster and the gang that is behind him proposes to make war on the whole infamous business and at the proper time unless there is achange will make an exposure of some of these gentlemen that will make astonishing reading and when it does so it will stand ready to prove its assertions if challenged to do so.

SHALL WE TAKE WARNING?

As the smoke of the battle clears away the Foster trial and his downfall point several morals and adorn a few tales. The first and greatest thing that emerges from the ruin is the need of some plan of primaries that will be fair and which will represent the will of the people as expressed at the polls. The city primary held in 1901 at which Foster, Shilling and Carter were the candidates for mayor had one fatal defect. It did not provide the method of selecting delegates. The abortion performed in the convention and which delivered Foster showed that the will of the people as given in the vote at the primaries could easily be set aside. If Foster had received 5 votes in the sixth ward and Shilling 5,000 the votes in the city convention would have been 14 for Foster precisely as they were cast when it became important in securing Foster's nomination. Had the election of delegates been by the people instead of leaving it to a few designing men each candidate would have had the number of delegates to which he was entitled by the popular vote. Similar conditions existed in the several other wards. The lesson taught by Foster's nomination, contrary to the wishes of the voters and his crushing defeat, so clearly demonstrated in the Foster libel case, should lead to a radical change in the method of nomination of candidates hereafter for all offices.

The defective methods and the apparent effort to override the will of the people and foist upon them a person they did not want led to great dissatisfaction in the party, a split with an independent candidate, and finally a libel suit against the party paper because it saw fit not to support him on account of the division in the party growing out of ill advised primary election methods.

There are ways by which these troubles can be avoided. The first important step is to prevent precinct or ward chairmen taking part at the primaries in the interest of one candidate as against another. No man, who has charge of the ballot boxes and the primary election, can consistently and without reflection upon his honesty, do this while he is trying to carry the ward for a favorite. One trouble is that too many men in the city especially seek position in the central committees as ward or precinct chairmen for the cash they can exact from candidates before the primaries for running primaries in their interest. No man who is equal to that sort of business should be permitted to remain a moment after he has been detected at that sort of business. It is this practice that leads to fraudulent counts stuffing ballot boxes and defying the will of the people as expressed at the primary polls. When the party has adopted a rule that will eliminate that class of people from our committees we can have fair primaries no matter which one of many plans for holding primaries may be adopted.

The plan adopted at the city primaries in 1901 was entirely fair to all candidates. No one can complain of the apportionment of delegates in each ward according to the vote received by the several candidates for a given office. But in that primary no proper rule was laid down for the selection of delegates and the way was thus left open for trouble and the party got plenty of it. Had the committee arranged for the election of delegates so that they would represent the will of the people as expressed at the polls in the convention and prevented the ward chairmen from interfering for or against any candidate and required him to confine himself to the duties of holding a fair primary in the interest of the party as a whole there could have been no trouble.

Another plan, the one heretofore followed, namely, that the person receiving a plurality of the votes in a ward or precinct shall be entitled to all the delegates from the ward or precinct would be satisfactory if the ward or precinct chairman did his duty and refrained from meddling with the interests of candidates. Under the same conditions the plan of eliminating the delegate entirely by awarding the nomination to the candidate who receives a majority or plurality of all the votes cast in the city, township or county as the case may be, without the intervention of a convention.

It is time the republican voters take the matter of fair primaries in their own hands and demand a fair deal in the future and also see to it that those men who seek places on committees for what they can exact from candidates before the primaries, for fixing the primaries, are kept off of the committees and honest men with the interest of the party at heart are put on. The Herald will in the future, as in the past, stand for fair primaries and decent politics as against the boodler and the moocher.

The election of Mr. Shilling against the nominee of the convention shows that the people will not be trifled with by schemers and adventurers. The republicans of Decatur and Macon county need to see to it that the scenes and incidents shown in the primaries and conventions which nominated Foster last April are not repeated. Absolute fairness in nomination of candidates is essential not only to party success but quite as important for the good of the community. Let there be some good come from the public laundering of republican soiled linen in the circuit court in the Foster case.

THE LIBEL SUIT

The criminal libel suit against the Herald-Despatch Publishing company and the officers of the company pending since the June, 1901, grand jury has been tried and a jury of twelve good and true men after hearing the evidence in the case has found the defendants not guilty. The suit was the result of an article published in the Herald during the campaign for mayor in this city last spring when Shilling, Bering and Foster were candidates.

It will be recalled that Foster was the nominee of the republican convention. Shilling had received at the primaries 1,181 votes as against 660 for Foster and 536 for Carter. As the result of the primaries and pursuant to the instructions of the central committee 46 delegates out of a total of 92 in the city were apportioned to Shilling by the chairmen of the several wards and to Foster was apportioned 26 delegates and to Carter 20 delegates. Regardless of this result at the primaries when the delegates met in convention the nomination was given to Foster.

The friends of Shilling, regarding the action of the convention as unfair, induced him to become a candidate by petition. This caused a serious split among the republicans and the Herald, not having in any way contributed to these conditions, decided that to support either candidate would only tend to make the breach more intense and made known to the friends of both candidates that it would support neither but that the republicans would be left to fight it out their own way. While it published the republican ticket at the head of its columns it faithfully refrained from taking sides. While the paper held that if the republicans were careful either Shilling or Foster might be elected in spite of the split it at no time undertook to indicate which one of the two stood the best show of election.

In the beginning of the campaign the Herald also notified the friends of both candidates that its columns would be open to both alike to publish any communication in furtherance of the interests of either of the candidates. Both elements accepted this proposition and published articles. One of these articles, which the Herald had nothing to do in preparing nor suggesting, was an attack on Foster's political record. Foster made no complaint to the Herald as to the article, but on the contrary two days later published in the Herald under his own signature a strong denial of a street rumor that he had sold out to the followers of Bering. In this disclaimer he made no allusion whatever to the article attacking his political career.

As before stated there were three candidates for mayor and it necessarily followed that two of them must be defeated. Foster was one of the candidates defeated. He did not accept his defeat gracefully and acted spitefully toward many of his former friends whom he suspected of being against him in the campaign. Although the Herald had treated him fairly without an exception he exhibited intense spitefulness toward it, and set about systematically to secure an indictment for criminal libel against the paper and its publishers by the grand jury and succeeded. The indictment was based upon the article contributed by a supporter of Shilling's attacking his (Foster's) political career. The paper had been entirely fair with him and he knew it. His procurement of the indictment was purely a piece of spite work and he knew that.

Under the libel law of the state there is but one defense, namely, to prove the truth of the statements in the alleged libelous article. The Herald had no other recourse. It could not elect any other course and being driven to this position by Foster himself it proceeded to prove the truthfulness of every statement in the article to the satisfaction of a jury of twelve men and was acquitted.

This is the simple story of the whole affair. While the Herald knew Foster's political history, it at no time in the mayoralty campaign sought to injure him. His case so far as the Herald was concerned was left entirely with the voters just as Shilling's fortunes were left there. The Herald did not concern itself in that campaign with the fortunes of either Shilling or Foster, but addressed itself to the republicans who were following their respective banners in the hope it might do something to prevent the breach becoming too wide or permanent. Every fair-minded man knows the course of the Herald considering the interests of the party was the proper and only logical one and Mr. Foster should have accepted that fact in the same spirit the Herald manifested toward him. Had he done so his position at this time would be infinitely more pleasant.

TAFT'S STATEMENT.

The brother of Governor Taft, who is an editor in Cincinnati, has this to say of his brother's statement before the committee on the Philippines:

"A misquoted statement was sent out from Washington credited to Governor Taft in regard to his testimony before the Philippine commission upon the military policy in the islands, which was generally published yesterday afternoon, in which the governor was made to say that 'the war has been all over these islands, and that which remains is a crime against civilization. It is also a crime against the Filipino people to keep up a state of war under the circumstances. They have worn out the right to any treatment but that which is severe and without the laws of war.' What Governor Taft did say was this: 'A continuance of the war in Batangas and Samar, after peace had been established in all parts of the islands, maintained as it is by a system of terrorism and murder against the people of those islands, causes useless suffering and prevents a return to the contentment and peace to which the are entitled. It is justifiable, therefore, to bring an end to that war by the use of the most rigorous methods within the laws of war.'"

The trial of the Herald developed one undisputable fact, namely, that the time has come for those entrusted with the welfare of the party to see to it that the people are given fair primaries. The Herald has consistently stood for fair primaries and will continue to stand for them because it is the only way to maintain harmony in the party. Not only should the party have fair primaries but every member of the county, township or city central committee should be restrained from taking part in primary contests as between republicans seeking nominations. They should address themselves exclusively to holding the primaries in a satisfactory manner.

A Boston professor says a man may live to be 150 years old and Eugene V. Debs says the black slaves of a half century ago had the advantage of the wage slaves of today. The wonder is why man may live to be 150 years old.

When anything goes wrong with a soldier in the Philippines he immediately writes to Senator Hoar, but on the contrary the soldier who does his duty and is never the subject of discipline never bothers the senator.

The resolution of Representative Newlands, which in effect notifies Cuba that we are ready to receive her by annexation with the view of ultimately admitting her to statehood is a sort of leap year proposal.

"Thompson's colt" is usually given credit with having been the supreme idiot of any age, but the warden's wife who ran away with the Biddles has suddenly usurped that notoriety.

American belles will note that Prince Henri is married and has two children.

After Lord Rosslyn finishes Monte Carlo it might be well to invite him to Decatur to clean up the talent.

It is safe to guess that Captain Clark will see that the coronation of King Edward is performed on schedule time.

Russia has reached a point in civilization where the matter of abolishing flogging in the army is under consideration.

When Texas oil becomes a substitute for coal for generating steam the world will begin to move in earnest and there will be no further trouble about coaling at sea.

A brave Michigan youth smoked 150,000 cigarettes in his brief life and died as the result. The cigarette trust should in all good conscience erect a suitable monument to his ashes.

The Herald feels grateful to the people of this city and county for the almost universal sympathy expressed in the recent attempt of W. W. Foster and his gang to persecute the paper.

The centennial anniversary of hard coal will occur this month, having been discovered Feb. 11, 1802. It has not yet been decided to raise the price in memory of the event, but it is not likely the day will be skipped in that sense.

It must occur to the most casual reader that the losses by fire from carelessness is astonishing. Yet the wonder is that the losses are not greater when one considers the carelessness and stupidity of thousands of smokers.

Secretary Hay's funeral oration on William McKinley will be delivered before the senate and house of representatives at Washington on Feb. 27—twenty years to a day after Secretary Blaine's oration in memory of James A. Garfield.

It is entirely safe to say that President McKinley never made the promises to the Cubans he is alleged to have made regarding concessions as a condition of the acceptance of the Platt resolution. McKinley never attempted to usurp the prerogative of congress.

It is generally conceded that one of the chief difficulties in the Philippines is the ownership of a large per cent of the land by the religious orders. This is not in harmony with our institutions, hence the Filipinos and our representatives there agree that this land must be surrendered by the religious orders. Secretary Root recommends that the government purchase the land and sell it to the people. This is no doubt the most logical plan for disposing of that question.

The attorneys for the defense in the case of the people vs. Shilling have entered a motion to quash the indictment on the ground that it does not recite that Shilling was elected and qualified as mayor and that the places where it is alleged he permitted gambling to run and saloons to remain open on Sunday are not designated. It seems to have been pretty thoroughly proved in the Herald-Foster case that Shilling was elected and it is supposed there are several people who, if it be true, could locate an open saloon on Sunday, but these facts may not cut any figure in the forms of law.

CENTRAL EXAMINATIONS

Have Engaged Attention of Supt. Keller During the Week

Superintendent J. G. Keller is busy holding the county central examination for the Eighth and Tenth grades. Examinations were held last week as follows:

Monday at Ocean Wave school twenty children from the following schools were examined: Ocean Wave, Kendall, Harmony and Hale. In the Tenth grade Edward Dixon of Harmony school stood first, and in the Eighth Oscar Drysdale of the same school.

Tuesday at Walker school eight children from the Willow Branch and Walker schools were examined. Carrie Chenoweth stood first in the Tenth grade and Eva L. Hight in the Eighth grade, both of the Walker school.

Wednesday examinations were held at the Macon school. Only the Eighth grade was examined and Nelson Krashel stood first of six pupils.

Thursday at Elwin thirty-four children were examined from the Elwin, Elm Grove, Enterprise, Cross Roads, Walnut Grove, Pleasant Grove, Cherry Grove and Pleasant Hill schools. First place in the Tenth grade was taken by Earl Weatherford of the Cherry Grove school and in the Eighth by Otto Kyle of the Cross Roads.

Friday thirty-one pupils were examined at Mt. Zion school from Mt. Zion, White Hall, Hight and Sulphur Spring schools. In the Tenth grade Maude Dickey took first honors and in the Eighth Jewel May. Both are from Mt. Zion school.

Examinations will be conducted this week as follows:

Monday, Feb. 10—Prairie Hall.
Tuesday, Feb. 11—Bois D'Arc.
Wednesday, Feb. 12—Oakley.
Thursday, Feb. 13—Excelsior.

Second Quarterly Meeting

The second quarterly meeting for Decatur circuit M. E. church will be held at Long Creek Saturday and Sunday, February 15-16. The quarterly conference at 1:30 p. m. Saturday followed by a sermon by Dr. Reed, the presiding elder, who will also preach Saturday night and Sunday morning, and administer the sacrament. The circuit Epworth League rally will be Sunday night. A revival meeting is now in progress in that place, and several have been converted.

Special Mention

The Trainer Lesson Leaf of February gave especial mention to Charles E. Medford, a Decatur boy who is teaching at the Enterprise school north of the city. The paper mentioned that the name of the school might well be applied to the teacher.

The Enterprise is making great strides toward securing a library for the school. Some time ago an entertainment was given and a number of volumes were put in the school. There is a plan on foot to give a large open air concert under a tent at the break of spring. There will be a fine program and a bountiful feast will be served.

Something That Will Do You Good

We know of no way in which we can be of more service to our readers than to tell them of something that will be of real good to them. For this reason we want to acquaint them with what we consider one of the very best remedies on the market for coughs, colds, and that alarming complaint, croup. We refer to Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. We have used it with such good results in our family so long that it has become a household necessity. By its prompt use we haven't any doubt but that it has time and again prevented croup. The testimony is given upon our own experience, and we suggest that our readers, especially those who have small children, always keep it in their homes as a safeguard against croup.—Camden (S. C.) Messenger. For sale by all druggists.

Sold Out

The American Lumberman, a trade journal of the date of February 8, announces that Colby Bros. & Co. of Decatur have sold their business to the Mound City Lumber Co.

The same journal announces the sale by John A. Richards of his lumber yard at Cerro Gordo to George C. Groves.

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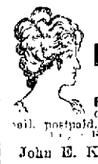
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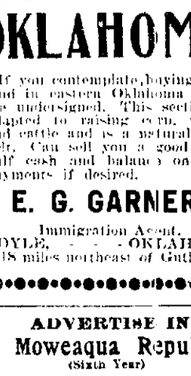
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DEATH RECORD.

LESLIE FRIEND.

Leslie Leonard Friend, the eight-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. U. S. Friend, died Friday morning, February 7, at the family residence, 1175 King street. The cause of death was pneumonia, following an attack of scarlet fever. The funeral was held Friday afternoon from the residence and was private. The interment was at Greenwood.

A little girl in the family died two weeks ago with scarlet fever and another child is ill with the disease.

ADOLPH SALESKI.

The fourteen-months-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Saleski, died Friday morning, February 7, at the family residence, 1019 Jordan street, of lung fever. The funeral will be held from the residence Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock, and the interment will be at Greenwood.

Coming Weddings

Cards are out announcing the wedding of Miss Rosa Williams to Otis Beall, on Wednesday evening, Feb. 19, at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Columbus Williams.

Cards are also out announcing the marriage of Miss Sadie L. Taggart to Alvah R. Smith of Springfield, at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Taggart, on Wednesday, February 12.—Warrensburg Times.

On Bond

Charles Plake, who engaged in a shooting scrape with Joe Gallagher on Friday was released Saturday, having given bond in the sum of $500. Gallagher is still in jail.

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THE PRIME STEER

Characteristics Described by Prof. Herbert W. Mumford

The prime steer should present conclusive evidence to sight and touch that he possesses to a high degree the form, condition and quality demanded by the dealer in high class beef.

The butcher demands not so much that parallelogramic form so popularly spoken of by many authorities, as he does a high state of development in loin, crops, back, thighs, twist and rump. He demands development in these regions because they are the parts from which are secured the high priced cuts. The animal should show plenty of depth and breadth furnishing a large surface for flesh, without that tendency to be paunchy which would be objectionable to the butcher. He seeks also, smooth, well rounded general outlines which indicate both evenness of flesh and an absence of that tendency to be rough and coarse which would mean loss to him, since the waste in the dressing of the rough, coarse beast would be out of proportion with the weight of the marketable beef. Then, too, the butcher is not unmindful of the fact that having secured satisfactory development of these parts from which are taken the high priced cuts, there is an added value in securing thick, even flesh throughout, on the cheaper as well as the more valuable parts of the carcass.

To the untrained eye, an unusual development of loin, crops and thighs would detract from the beauty, style and gracefulness of the beast. To the butcher, such development would increase rather than detract from its value. It should be clearly borne in mind therefore that no beauty of outline, style or gracefulness of carriage will ever take precedence of proper development in most important and valuable parts of the bullock. Nor should we assume that the highest development in these most valuable parts is incompatible with an ideal beef form. It is entirely consistent and desirable that we hold up as our ideal standard of the prime steer a combination of well developed parts from which are taken the high priced cuts, and that uniformly high development in all parts capable of taking on flesh which gives to the animal symmetry and smoothness of outline, that style and that beauty otherwise impossible.

General quality in a fat steer is indicated by a medium sized, fine, clean cut, broadly featured head, bearing ears of moderate size and texture; short legs with clean fine bone; a fine neatly tapering tail; fine hair, a pliable skin of medium thickness, and smooth well rounded outlines. Quality of Flesh and Condition of Animal. The quality of beef depends largely upon the condition of the animal. By condition we refer to the degree of fatness of a bullock. However, it should not be assumed that the highest quality in beef is found in the fattest beast. There are two principal reasons for fattening a steer. (a) So to fill the animal inside and out with fat that when dressed there will not be a high percentage of offal or waste. In other words, a fat animal, other things being equal, will dress a higher percentage than a half fat or a thin one. And further, in the fat animal the proportion of these parts, which from their very nature are unsalable is reduced to the minimum. (b) That the flesh or lean meat shall be rendered more tender, juicy and of better flavor by the disposition of fat throughout its substance.

Undoubtedly, the possibility of securing the highest quality in beef is influenced by the breeding and general quality of the animal.

Methods both of growing and fattening the beast influence the quality of its flesh. There is too, a quality of flesh which is peculiar to the individual and which is independent both in breeding and methods of feeding. Desirable quality in flesh is indicated by a firm yet mellow and springy consistency of the flesh at the crops, along the back, at the loins and even on the sides, beneath the gentle pressure of the outstretched hand. Good quality of flesh is indicated in the fat steers by the absence of ties and rolls, or patches of gaudy flabby fat.

A tendency to lay on fat in bunches and to roll at the loin indicates that during the fattening process the fat has been deposited in large masses and has not been evenly distributed throughout the animal giving to the flesh that marbled character so necessary to the highest quality in beef.

Undoubtedly, outstanding coarseness and lack of general quality in the live animal are inseparably linked with undesirable texture in the beef cut from such a beast. Fullness at base of tongue, fullness or a roll of fat in front of point of shoulder, a full twist, a large mellow cod, a low, full, thick flank that stands out and rolls visibly as the animal walks, fullness and smoothness at rump and tail head indicate that degree of fatness which is essential to the highest quality in beef.

When the ends of the fingers are gently pressed in the flesh on the side of the beast in an effort to find the ribs, there should be a firmness of flesh that does not admit of freely and easily forcing the fingers to the ribs and between them. A lack of firmness indicates the presence of too large a proportion of fat which may be due, either to a too fat or over-done condition of the animal or to an inherent lack of flesh, either of which is decidedly undesirable. A proper degree of firmness shows the presence of plenty of flesh or lean meat.

It is as difficult as it is unnecessary to decide whether form, (used in its technical sense), condition or quality is of greatest importance to the butcher. The main point to bear in mind is, that an animal characteristically deficient in any one of the above requirements is disqualified to meet the full demands of the dealer in high class beef and consequently is not to be considered as a prime steer which would command the highest market price.

It might be well to add that a two-year-old steer possessing the desired form, condition and quality, weighing from 1500 to 1600 pounds is the one—other things being equal—that will command the highest market price. It is not scale or weight, nor, within certain boundaries, age, but quality and condition that command the top prices in the market.

PEOPLE'S COLUMN

WANT THE CREDIT.

Editor Herald: Whoever reported the Elwin central got the facts badly mixed. And thus some schools get the honors for good work that they did not do.

The Cross Roads school got both rank one and two and not Enterprise as reported. Otto Kyle of Cross Roads school ranked one, average 92 4-7, and Estella Tooley ranked two, average 91 4-7, in the eighth year. These two pupils were the only ones in the eighth year that made 100 in arithmetic.

We believe that our school is entitled to the honors if there are any and for this reason we ask you to publish this. Respectfully,

PUPILS OF CROSS ROADS SCHOOL

JUSTICE COURTS.

T. J. Newcomb Saturday paid Justice Provost $4.80 for the privilege of getting drunk.

Joseph Gallagher swore out a warrant before Justice Smith Saturday charging Charles Pleake with assault with a deadly weapon. Justice Smith bound Pleake over to the grand jury in $500 bond.

Likes Iowa

J. H. Fawcett, who moved from this county to Wright county, Iowa, last March, is in Decatur for a few days. Mr. Fawcett purchased a farm about five miles from Woolstock, one of the thriving towns in the county, and now his son, D. H. Fawcett, is moving out to a farm near there. Mr. Fawcett was burned out last July, but still thinks that Iowa is the only country under the flag. He has been offered an advance of $8000 on the price he paid for his land and last year raised nearly 9000 bushels of corn on 180 acres. He sold 6000 bushels for 55 cents per bushel and still has some to the good. He will return to Iowa the first of the week with his son's family.

Used a Poker

Charles Wilson and Ed Moore, both colored, had hot words at the barber shop on the corner of North Park and State streets and Moore picked up a heavy iron poker and struck Wilson on the head, cutting several severe gashes. The most serious was a cut over the right eye about one inch long and an inch deep. Although the men were using abusive language there was no excuse for the assault by Moore. Wilson later swore out a warrant and Patrolman Albert arrested Moore and took him before Justice Hane, where he pleaded not guilty and gave bond to appear for his trial at 9 a. m. Tuesday.

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DR. DOWDALL MARRIED.

Dr. W. T. Dowdall, who recently located at Casner for the practice of medicine, went to Jacksonville Saturday where he was to be married last night. The doctor and his bride will return Monday to Casner.

A. Mottram has gone to Champaign where he will spend the winter working on the fine finishing work of the University of Illinois.

ANOTHER SAMPLE

Of the Letters Daily Received at the Herald Office

Since the conclusion of the libel suit against the Herald the paper has received many letters of congratulations. The following is a sample. Columns could be filled but they are all of the same kind and one will suffice to show the public the general tenor of the missives:

"I have read with much satisfaction the verdict returned by the jury in the libel case against the Herald and want to extend my congratulations. Foster will feel, I imagine, like the boy who was put to learning catechism—wished he had 'never 'rucneed.'

"The party in this county ought now to be able to relegate William to the rear or get rid of him all together.

"I suppose you have little to fear in the suit pending. If he presses it I hope that you will successfully meet him and give his wings another clipping.

"After such an airing of dirty linen the political atmosphere ought to clear up and things get in better shape."

Deeds Recorded.

James McNulty to Edward Barry, receiver, lot 11 in block 6 in Riverside Place addition to Decatur; $1.

Edward Barry, receiver, to B. F. Cloud, lot 11 in block 6 in Riverside addition to Decatur; also 15 feet off of the north side of lot 3 and 20 feet off of the north side of lot 3 in block 7 in Crowder & Cornthwait's addition to Decatur, also lots 16, 17, 18 and 19 in block 6 in Walnut Grove addition to Decatur, and lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 13 and 14 in block 5 in Englewood addition to Decatur; $1800.

P. P. Laughlin to William R. Gastin, lots 1, 2, 3 and 4 in block 1 in Casner; $500.

William H. Turner to Almeda V. Traughber, a lot in Mt. Zion; $685.

James R. Henricks to Ross Likins, Jr. and Henry Lichtenberger, the northwest quarter of the southeast quarter and the south half of the southwest quarter of the northeast quarter of section 19, township 16, range 3 east; $3800.

James R. Henricks to Joseph Bleir, the northwest quarter of the northwest quarter of section 20, and the east half of the northeast quarter of the northeast quarter of section 19, township 16, range 3 east; $3500.

Theo M. Keller, administrator, to David H. Bender, the north half of the southeast quarter of the southwest quarter of the northeast quarter of section 9, township 16, range 3 east; $105.

Henry Lichtenberger to Ross Likins, Jr., the northwest quarter of the southeast quarter of section 19, township 16, range 3 east; $1.

Samuel Evey to Catherine D. Franks, the south half of the north half and the north half of the north half of the south half of section 6, township 14, range 2 east, $11,015.20.

William B. Waddell to Sarah A. Boall, a part of lots 1 and 2 in block 2 in James Carter's addition to Decatur; $3000.

John C. Boyce to Mary A. Junkins, three-quarters of an acre in Mt. Zion; $1200.

Book of Great Importance

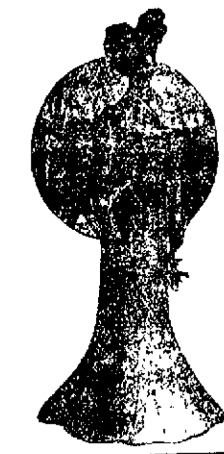
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William Baird of Bluffs is spending a few days with friends in Decatur.

TAILOR-MADE CLOTH SUITS $10.00



Advance styles in nice street suits in the very latest cloths; new Eaton jacket, latest cut skirt, cloths all wool, jackets silk lined; black, Navy, brown, oxford, mode, tan, blue mixed and fancies; a regular $15 suit; but we gave an early order to keep the tailors busy, and place this suit on sale at $10.00 each.

Other suits at $20.00 and $25.00.

Women's Coats at Half Price

AND LESS.

Our entire stock of fine coats, 27 inches long, at one price, $10 each. Some with fur collars and revers, best satin lined; sold early in the season at $20 and $25.00.

Some three-quarter coats in tans and browns worth $25, in this lot at $10.00 each.

FURS AT HALF PRICE



One lot of black Marten Cluster Scarfs, six tails, $2.50 each; reduced from $4.50 and $5.

Mink Cluster Scarfs, $6; reduced from $10 and $12.50.

Stone Marten Cluster Scarfs, $12.50, reduced from $22.50

Sable Fox Scarfs $10; reduced from $16.50.

Women's Fur Coats at half. Only a few garments left. If we have your size you can get a great bargain

Baltic Seal Coats at $12.50; reduced from $25.

Electric Seal Coats at $25, reduced from $45.

Astrachan Coats at $16.50; reduced from $30.

30-inch Black Fur Cape, silk lined, good strong fur, at $2 each.

Astrachan Cape, silk lined, $5; reduced from $12.50.

30-inch Boucle Cloth Cape trimmed with black fur, $2.95; reduced from $5.

Women's Flannel Waists, the very best styles and colors, but broken in sizes, $2.95 each. In this lot you will find Waists worth $6 and $7 each. Almost every size and color in the lot.

Heavy Cloth Walking Skirts, the last of four big lots, to close. Dark Oxford plaid all wool cloth skirt, lined, $2 each, worth $4.50. Heavy all wool unlined Cloth Walking Skirts, broken lots and sizes, $2.95, worth from $5 to $7.50.

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Because in its mammoth works a corps of chemical experts is constantly employed to test every ingredient and supervise every process of manufacture to insure a product absolutely pure, wholesome and perfect in every respect.

The most wholesome food and the most digestible food are made with Royal Baking Powder.

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BLUE MOUND SHOOT

Chance for Sport on Tuesday and Wednesday

The Blue Mound Gun club will give a shoot on Tuesday and Wednesday of this week, Feb. 11 and 12. They have thirty dozen pigeons and 100 sparrows. There will be thirteen events each day. There will be good shelter, lunch and shells on the ground. All Decatur sportsmen are invited to attend the affair. The program is first class.

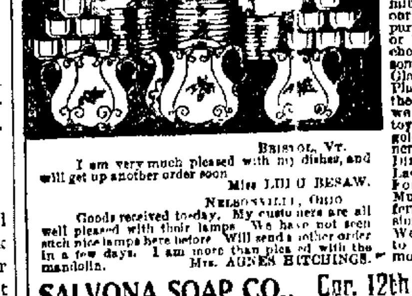
Some Indictments

Saturday the grand jury returned fourteen indictments but did not ask to be discharged, for they have other business. One indictment was against Conway, the fellow who defrauded Decatur money lenders by obtaining loans secured on property he did not possess. Gallagher, the young man who attempted to shoot his mother-in-law Friday, was also indicted. The others were for gaming and keeping open tippling house. The grand jury has now found twenty-five true bills.

When you want a physic that is mild and gentle, easy to take and pleasant in effect use Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets. Price 25 cents. Samples free. Every box guaranteed. For sale by all druggists.

Henry Post of Gilman purchased 80 acres of land in Missouri for which he secured an abstract dated June 18, 1793.

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Write to-day for our handsome illustrated catalogue and see what beautiful premiums we give for selling our Soaps. We give to each purchaser of a box of Soap or bottle of Perfume their choice of some of the handsomest premiums in the market. Lamps, Bracelets, Glassware, Opalware, Knives, Roasting Pans, Cake Plates and other beautiful presents. To the agent who sells only 24 boxes of Soap we give a 50-Piece Dinner Set—pot a toy set—but a beautifully decorated and gold traced, full size for family use, Dinner set. We also give Couches, Rockers, Dining Room Chairs, Center Tables, Lace Curtains, Watches, Knives and Forks, Graniteware, Sewing Machines, Musical Instruments, Etc. If cash is preferred we allow a very liberal commission. We trust you. No money required. We allow you 30 days' time in which to deliver the goods and collect your money before paying us. Don't delay.

READ THE LETTERS from our patrons and be convinced that you are dealing with a thoroughly reliable house.

BRISTOL, VT.
I am very much pleased with my dishes, and will get up another order soon.
Miss LULU G BESAW.

NELSONVILLE, OHIO
Goods received to-day. My customers are all well pleased with their lamps. We have not seen such nice lamps here before. Will send another order in a few days. I am more than pleased with the mandolin.
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ELKS AND MASONS BARRED

The Accepted Men Were Not Permitted to Separate Last Night—Four Men Have Been Accepted.

The Shilling case has been commenced. The work of getting a jury now occupies the attention of the court. When adjournment came Monday night four jurors had been accepted by both sides and three other had been accepted by the defense. The defense tendered four but the first one examined by the state's attorney was excused.

There was not a little surprise when, at 5 o'clock, Judge Vail turned to the men who had been accepted and informed them that they would not be permitted to separate but would be given into the charge of an officer. That included the three tendered by the defense as well as those accepted by both sides. In view of the fact that the jurors are no doubt in for a siege of a week, arrangement has been made for them to board in a private family. As they are not permitted to talk to any one and not permitted to have any remarks addressed to them, there is always more or less unpleasantness in visiting public eating houses where they are to a certain extent objects of curiosity. They will get their meals with a private family where there are no other boarders and may thus enjoy among themselves greater freedom than would be possible otherwise. The four men accepted by both sides are:

Thomas Elgin of Oakley.
C. M. Parton of Friends Creek.
Elwood Mattox of Decatur.
Charles E. Epling of Decatur.

The three tendered by the defense are George Westbrook and William Stoner of Decatur and William Elliott of Wheatland.

In view of the publicity given the city affairs since the carnival last fall, the work of getting a jury has progressed remarkably well. There were all told nineteen men in the box yesterday. Last evening the sheriff's deputies began serving a special venire of fifty names. A considerable number of this lot of talesmen are from the city and the expectation is that another venire will be necessary before twelve men are sworn to try the case. The special venire is as follow:

Decatur Ed Seger, T. B. Ewing, Landy Martin, P. W. Caldwell, J. E. Strehm, C. T. Webster, Isaac Terhune, E. W. Barkman, Allen Hopkins, Chris. Chenoweth, A. W. Gray, J. J. Jacobs, P. M. McCune, J. S. Sanderson, George Tuttle, Chauncey Deetz, William A. J. Mathus, M. A. Starling, William Ammann.

Maroa Walter Shoemaker.

Long Creek Joseph C. Myers, Martin Davis, T. W. Gustin.

Blue Mound W. D. Moffitt.

Wheatland Robert Boardman.

Niantic Rufus Roberts, Abraham Enloe.

Macon W. H. Metcalf, Louis Florey.

Pleasant View H. L. Ferguson.

Mt. Zion Walter Bilby, John Bottrell, Eli Tohill, William South, B. F. Hector.

Milam John Bottrell, Robert Denson.

Friends Creek L. P. Harmon.

The defendant's table is on the south side of the bar space and grouped about it are Mayor Shilling, and Attorneys Hugh Crea, J. J. Finn and C. C. Leforgee.

There is a flock about the state's attorney's table. In addition to Attorney Redmon are Jack & Deck, O. C. Adams and I. A. Buckingham. A number of persons, supposed to be members of the citizens' committee, hover about the court room. There are as many, if not more, spectators present than filled the court room during the progress of the Herald libel trial.

The state asks an expression from each juror concerning the law in relation to gaming, lewd shows and selling liquor on Sunday. Each talesman is asked if he approves or disapproves laws on the statute books. One man was asked if he gambled and was instructed by the court that he could answer or not, just as he chose. The talesman said that he did not gamble.

The defense asked some of the talesmen what effect it would have if they knew that the citizens' committee was pushing the prosecution against the mayor. Judge Vail said that question should not be put, as it was the people and not the citizens' committee which was pushing the prosecution.

One man said that he was in favor of saloons being open on Sunday in spite of the fact that it was contrary to the state law. One farmer when asked if he was in favor of the law, said: "Well, I likes my beer." Members of the Masonic fraternity are not acceptable jurors to the defense, because it is expected that the question of the trouble about the gaming house next to the Masonic temple will cut considerable figure in this case. Elks are not wanted by the state because Mayor Shilling is a member of that order, and because the Elks conducted the carnival in progress when the trouble began last fall.

The orders entered on the dockets yesterday were as follows:

CHANCERY.

Mary Potwase vs. August Potwase; divorce. Decree of divorce.

Charles P. Housman vs. D. S. Shellabarger et al.; chancery. Decree pro confesso as to defendants not answering amended bill and referred to master.

Michael C. Fry et al. ex parte; partition. Master's report of sale approved and proof heard and solicitor's fee of $65 fixed to be taxed as costs.

Nettie E. Ackerman et al. vs. Casper Reith et al.; bill to quiet title. Rule to answer amended bill by tomorrow morning.

Ernest D. Camp, trustee, vs. Heber S. Camp et al.; bill to construe trust agreement. M. C. Griffin appointed guardian ad litem for minor defendants.

Decatur Milling Co. vs. Eugene A. Stephens et al.; foreclosure. Master's report of sale approved.

Deficiency judgment against E. M. Stepens and his brother for $359.

Agnes Stonebreaker vs. Levi Stonebreaker; divorce. Solicitor's fee fixed at $30 to be paid in three weeks.

Mary Etta Hecke vs. Augustus C. Hecke et al.; petition and relief. Decree of sale.

LAW.

Clinton Brumley vs. Fraternal Army of America; trespass on the case. Dismissed by plaintiff at his cost.

Joseph A. Davis vs. Henry Neihaus; trespass on the case. Plaintiff justifies and motion for cost bond is overruled.

ENFORCING QUARANTINE

Mary Frankhouse Has Given Authorities Some Trouble

Mary Frankhouse, a well known character about the city, has been quarantined at the Glover residence, 337 Cerro Gordo street. The house has been under quarantine for some time, but Mary persists in visiting her friends and the matter was brought to the notice of the board of health and Mary will have a chance to make a good long stay. She was at Sunday school Sunday afternoon and announced that she would be back to church in the evening, but the quarantine board prevented.

There were signs of an exodus from the Syndicate building Monday morning, but the board of health sent an officer around to notify the inhabitants that there would be no moving from that building for the space of two weeks. The children living in the building will be kept out of schools for the same period.

A new case of smallpox was reported to the board Sunday. It is that of Mrs. Mullens, living at 625 Webster street. She was taken to the pest house and the premises will be thoroughly disinfected. Mrs. Mullens is the woman who lived back of the place on South Broadway where the cases occurred last year and at that time she persisted in disregarding the quarantine, and had to be restrained by the guards from going on the street.

FELL BACK ON OLD RULE

Justice Decides Suit on a Preponderance of Evidence

M. P. Metz sued Herman Rocher before Justice McCoy Tuesday for $3.15, which he claimed was the balance due on a coal bill. Herman said that he didn't mind the amount but that he objected to paying twice for anything as evanescent as a ton of coal. Herman gave a detailed account of his final payment of the bill mentioned in the suit and produced two witnesses, one of whom witnessed the transaction, and the other of whom saw the receipted bill. Unfortunately Herman had destroyed the bill with others, supposing the account forever closed. Mr. Metz and his collector testified that Rocher had never received a receipt in full and that there was $3.15 still due.

With such a conflict of evidence the justice fell back on the rule in such cases and decided for the side presenting the preponderance of evidence, so Rocher, the defendant, got the decision by three witnesses to two.

Nicholas Bahn forfeited a city bond before the same justice.

Justice Provost collected $1.80 off one lonesome drunk.

IT IS THE BEST IN YEARS

Icemen Getting Big Supply and Fine Quality of Ice for Next Summer

The ice dealers are in clover, metaphorically speaking. They are getting more ice and a better quality than they have known in many years past. Alex McGorray of the Maffitt-McGorray company said yesterday: "From present indications we will get a natural supply sufficient to last for two years. It is the best ice that we have ever put up. All the river houses have been filled and we have now from eight to nine thousand tons put away. We expect to get from four to five thousand tons more. It will take from eight to nine days to do this, owing to the fact that we have to haul the ice a long distance to the houses being filled. The ice is all the way from nine to sixteen inches in thickness, and of excellent quality. There is such a thing as a sudden thaw that would stop further work, but we hardly expect it. All the indications point to the largest harvest that we have known in years."

Butzbach & Son are also working a big force and getting sufficient natural ice to answer all of their needs.

Deeds Recorded.

D. C. Corley to G. F. Decker, lot 14 in block 11, Carver's addition to Decatur; $1.

Eliza L. Christison to James King, the east half of the southeast quarter of section 4, township 11, range 2 east; $6400.

Miss Maggie Best and her friend, Maud Williams of Dalton City, are visiting friends and relatives in Decatur this week.

152 EAST MAIN STREET.
SIGN OF THE OLD COBBLER IN THE WINDOW.

FOLRATH'S "LET GO" SALE!

You have heard about the man who hollered to another for help to let go. Well, there are times when it is easier to hold on than to let go. This is one of them and it's "up to you" to help. The truth is we are caught with a whole lot of shoes that ought to be on your feet. They are bang up good ones, every last pair, but they will never sell in the summer time. We are on to the fact that to hold on to them under such such circumstances is the wrong thing, and so we'll "let go" of them. Take them. We'd rather have the Cash. The sale begins

WEDNESDAY MORNING, FEBRUARY 12.

HERE ARE SIX SAMPLE LOTS:

Men's Felt Boots
Grey Felt Gum Over
$1.50
White Felt—Duck Over $1.90
$1.90, $1.25, $1.50

Women's.... Overgaiters
10c A Pair
—212 PAIRS—

Women's Shoes
$2.48
All Welt Shoes. Some patent tipped, some kid, a few common sense ones, mostly lace. About 40 pairs button. Some enamels. The lowest priced ones were $3.00. About half of them retailed at $3.50. About 190 pairs.

Men's Shoes
$2.95
Box Calf Enamels, Wax Calf, leather lined, hand sewed. Patent leathers that retailed at $3.50, $4, $5 and some of them at $6. Styles fit for NOW. A few patent leather button shoes among them. Most of them lace and bluchers. About 120 pairs.

Girls' Shoes
75c & 95c
They are Kid Spring Heels, patent tips and kid. The lowest we ever sold them was $1.25 and up to $2. Lace and button, mostly buttons. Sizes 11 to 2, and 2 1-2 to 4. About 200 pairs.

Women's Shoes
98c
An uncommonly good lot, some with hand turned soles, welts, kid tips and patent. Mostly small and large sizes; no in between. Lowest prices ones in the lot were $1.50; some $2.50, $3 and $4. About 210 pairs.

SUPPLY YOUR SHOE NEEDS AT THIS SALE BY ALL MEANS.

DAVIS B. FOLRATH,
SIGN OF THE OLD COBBLER IN THE WINDOW. 152 EAST MAIN STREET.

THE MARKETS

MARKETS WERE LOWER

Nervous Feeling Manifested in all the Pits

Chicago, Feb. 10.—Wheat—Net losses 1-8c to 1-4c. May sold between 77 1-2c to 77 5-8c and 78c, opening at 77 5-8c to 77 7-8c, closing at 77 5-8c to 77 3-4c, re-acting about 1-4c when the bottom was reached. Cash sales were small—9 boatloads at the seaboard and 30,000 bushels No. 2 red winter here. The market was dull and fluctuations narrow. Professionals were bearish and there were moderate selling orders from both spring wheat and winter wheat sections. The buying was led by the shorts. Liverpool Cables were disappointing. Liverpool was 1-8c lower early, but closed unchanged to 1-8c better for the day. Routine statistics were of both descriptions, bearish and bullish. Clearances were fair. Local receipts, 17 cars.

Corn—While the close showed a loss of 1-8c to 1-4c for the day, there was a reaction of about 1-4c from the bottom. Local trades attempted in the bull market succeeded in getting it up 3-8 early above Saturday's close, but the break in oats brought about weakness. Business was mainly professional. Country offerings of cash were more liberal. Liverpool was 1-8c higher. Local receipts, 52 cars.

Oats—Slow early and became active and erratic. Moderate selling of May by local trades and the effort to break the market by selling June by offering it down from the May price to 1 1-2c discount without trade, had a depressing effect on May and it declined 1 1-2c, reacted one and closed with a net loss of 3-4c. Statistics were mainly bearish.

THE PRICES.

Chicago, Feb. 10.—Wheat—Moderate trade, steady, closing slightly lower. No. 2 red, 84c to 85c; No. 3 red, 80c to 84c, No. 2 hard, 75 1-2c to 77 1-2c; No. 3 hard, 74 1-2c to 77c; February, 75c. May opened at 77 5-8c to 77 7-8c; highest, 78c; lowest, 77 1-2 to 77 5-8c; closed, 77 5-8c to 77 3-4c.

Corn—Trade rather dull, weaker, closing lower. No. 3, 58 1-4c to 58 3-4c; No. 3 yellow, 59c to 59 1-2c; February, 58 7-8c; No. 3, 59 1-2c; No. 3 white, 60 1-2c. May opened at 61 1-2c to 61 3-4c; highest, 62 1-8c; lowest, 61 3-8c; closed, 61 1-2 to 61 5-8c.

Oats—Slow early, became active and erratic, closing lower. No. 2, 43 1-4c to 43 3-4c; No. 3, 42 3-4c to 43; No. 2 white, 45 to 45 1-2c. No. 3 white, 44 1-2 to 45c; No. 4 white, 43 to 44 1-2; February, 43 3-8c to 44 1-2c; No. 3 white, 44 1-2c to 45c. May opened at 43c to 43 1-8c; highest, 43 1-2c; lowest, 42c; closed, 42 3-8 to 43 1-2.

OTHER GRAINS.

Rye, 58c.
Barley, 58c to 63 1-2c.
Flax, $1.68 to $1.71.
Timothy, $6.90.
Clover, $9.25.

PROVISIONS.

Pork—February, $15.67; May, $15.92.
Lard—Cash, $9.35; May, $9.52.
Ribs—Cash, $8.45; May, $8.57.
Short clear sides, $8.70 to $8.80.

PRODUCE.

Butter—Firm. Creameries, 16c to 27c. Dairies, 16c to 22c.

Eggs—Firm, 27c.

Poultry—Firm. Turkeys, 10c to 14 1-2c; chickens, 9c to 11c.

RECEIPTS AND SHIPMENTS.

	Receipts.	Shipments.
Flour, bbls....	23,000	20,000
Wheat, bu....	47,000	34,000
Corn, bu....	41,000	44,000
Oats, bu....	105,000	62,000

How Prices Fluctuated.

Daily Market Report furnished by B. Z. Taylor, Decatur. Orders filled by direct wire.

Following is the range of options, with yesterday's closing:

	Open.	High.	Low.	Clos.	Yes.
Wheat—					
Feb	....	....	75	75⅞	
May	77⅝@¾	78@⅛	77½	77⅝@¾b	77⅞@8
July	77¾@8	78⅛@¼	77⅝@¾s	78@⅛	78⅛
Corn—					
Feb	....	....	58⅞	59	
May	61½@¾	62⅛	61⅜	61½@⅝	61⅝@¾b
July	61⅝@¾	62⅛	61½@⅝	61⅝@¾	61¾@⅞b
Oats—					
Feb	....	....	....	....	
May	43⅛	43⅛	42	42⅜	43⅛
July	37⅜	37⅛	36⅞	36⅞@7	37⅛
Pork—					
May	15.85@87	16.07	15.85r	15.92	15.85
Lard—					
May	9.45	9.55@57	9.45	9.50	9.45
Ribs—					
May	8.52	8.60@62	8.52	8.57@60	8.52

EVERYTHING WAS OFF

Markets Open the Week Lower All Around

Chicago, Feb. 10.—(Bartlett-Frazier letter to H. H. Randolph)—Our slump of Saturday had little effect on the crowd, cables coming 1-8c lower at 1:30 p. m. The world's shipments increased slightly over last week and the northwest received 365 cars, both of which were bearish features. At 9:30 the May range stood 77 5-8c to 77 7-8c, jigged around these figures for an hour and finally broke through to 77 3-4c on selling by Wrenn and Ware & Leland. Scalpers got in the usual amount of hitting and missing at intervals on short range. The visible supply decreased 1,363,000. After its issuance the market remained in the same narrow limits which characterized its earlier course for a few minutes.

Around the eleventh hour the figures stood about the same as the opening, but soon fell off another fraction on a few selling orders by the scalping crowd.

At noon the market fell in sympathy with weakness in coarse grains and lost 3-8c. At the close May had declined to 77 5-8c to 77 3-4c, July to 77 7-8c to 78c.

CORN.

The May option flew over the washboard a trifle below Saturday's last figures but soon found some one to pick it up and run it to 62 1-8c. Around this price, however, a few bears came into the field and unloaded a wagonload, depressing the price before 10:30 to 61 5-8c. Orders were scarce up to that hour and the fluctuations were easily guided by an order either way, trade being very light and narrow. The visible supply decreased only 52,000, yet the feeling remained bearish. Comstock added some to the line he picked up on Saturday but was willing to let go on a half cent setback.

Around the noon hour the crowd got tired holding long stuff and let go freely once more, depressing this time to 61 3-8c, at which point big scalpers covered to 61 7-8c. At the close the May had declined to 61 1-2c to 61 5-8c. July closed at 61 1-2 to 61 5-8c.

OATS.

Oats opened a trifle under Saturday, pulled hard on the hames up to 43 1-2c, where the weakness of its companion pits slacked the harness back to 42 3-4c in the first hour. The trade was fair with a firm undercurrent of support from the bottom of the hill.

After 11 the situation was still weak, the May selling at 42 3-4c and July 37c. At noon the bears felled the May to 42c, at which point the shorts took in a line bringing it back half a cent in a few minutes. The close showed a decline in May to 42 3-8c to 42 1-2c, and July closed at 31 3-4c.

PROVISIONS.

Provisions opened about Saturday's close, sold up to $16.05 for May pork, May lard and ribs following the strength. The decline in the grain market near noon took a little of the edge off.

At the close May was 7 cents over Saturday.

Wheat at Minneapolis.

Minneapolis, Feb. 10.—Wheat—Cash, 73 3-4c to 74 1-4c; May, 75 1-4c to 75 3-8c; July, 75 1-2c. On track, No. 1 hard, 75 3-4c; No. 1 northern, 73 1-2c to 74c; No. 2 northern, 72 1-2c to 73c.

Grain at Liverpool.

Liverpool, Feb. 10.—Wheat—Spot steady; No. 2 red western winter, 6s 2d; No. 1 northern spring, 6s 1 1-2d.

Corn—Spot quiet; American mixed, new, 5s 3 1-4d; American mixed, old, 5s 4 1-2d.

New York Grain.

New York, Feb. 10.—Wheat—Receipts, 31,000 bushels; exports, 90,000. Spot steady; No. 2 red, 87 3-4c f. o. b. afloat; No. 2 red, 90c elevator. Options closed easy at 1-8c net decline. May 83 1-2c.

Corn—Receipts, 10,000 bushels; exports, 10,000. Spot easy; No. 2, 67 5-8c elevator and 67 3-8c f. o. b. afloat. Options closed weak at 1-8c to 1-4c net decline. May, 66 1-2c.

Oats—Receipts, 45,000 bushels; exports, 12,000. Spot easier; No. 2, 48c; No. 2 white, 49c to 49 1-2c; track mixed western, 48c to 49c; track white, 50c to 55c. Options experienced a severe decline following the bear raid.

PRODUCE.

Butter—Firm. Creamery, 20c to 28c.

Cheese—Firmer. Large and small, 10 3-4c to 12c.

Eggs—Firm. Western at mark, 28c to 28 1-2c.

GOOD CATTLE FIRM

But Common Lots More Off Slowly at Falling Prices

Chicago, Feb. 10.—Cattle—Twenty thousand cattle or thereabouts were marketed here today against 22,437 last Monday. The supply was not heavy for Monday and consignments of good fat cattle found buyers at steady prices, but less desirable droves moved off less readily, prices failing to show much strength. The export trade continues an important factor in the market, medium class cattle being largely taken.

Hogs—Receipts today were 53,000 head, which were about 8,000 more than anticipated generally against 42,291 last Monday. Great numbers were contracted in the country at last week's advanced prices and this was responsible for the big run. There was a good demand this morning and while there was some trading at reductions of about 2 1-2c, the best were no lower. The average market in fact was nearly steady at Saturday's figures.

Sheep—The opening receipts this week were close to 24,000 head and buyers attempt to force a decline of a dime from prices paid here late last week, but it was useless. The offerings were in firm hands and the salesmen met their demands by asking prices a dime higher and a good many more desirable lots were soon moving at firm to a dime higher than closing prices of such last week.

THE PRICES.

Cattle—Receipts, 20,000 head. Market steady; good to prime, $6.50 to $7.25; poor to medium, $4 to $6; cows, $1.25 to $5; Texans, $4.25 to $6; stockers, $2.50 to $4.50.

Hogs—Receipts, 53,000 head. Market steady; heavy, $6 to $6.45; light, $5.75 to $6; mixed, $6 to $6.37.

Sheep—Receipts, 24,000 head. Market steady; sheep, $3.80 to $5.50; lambs, $4.50 to $6.55.

Grain at St. Louis.

St. Louis, Feb. 10.—Cattle—Receipts, 3,000 head. Market steady to strong; beef steers, $4.50 to $6.50; stockers and feeders, $2.60 to $4.55; cows and heifers, $2.25 to $5; Texas steers, $3.20 to $5.40.

Hogs—Receipts, 4,000 head. Market steady. Range, $5.90 to $6.45.

Stocks and Money

New York, Feb. 10.—There was some apprehension in speculative circles that the support accorded the market Saturday after the appearance of the bank statement would prove but temporary and that a setback was imminent in the prices of stock. The heavy fire losses reported over Sunday, especially that at Paterson, caused additional apprehension before the opening. The uneasiness, however, proved to be unfounded. There was abundant buying of stocks from the opening and but little liquidation was encountered. American Express rose 11 and Wells Fargo 5¼ on the conviction of developments pending in the express business. Industrials generally were inclined to be heavy except those having to do with iron and steel. Detailed analysis of Saturday's bank statement shows that few large banks are responsible for the large changes in Saturday's statement. Of the total loan the increase of nearly $29,000,000, four banks are seen to be responsible for $20,000,000, namely, the National City, First National, Hanover National and National Bank of Commerce. Of these it is also notable the decrease in the reserves for three of them amounts to considerably more than the total decrease of all banks, while the First National bank alone of the four shows an increase in reserves of nearly six million dollars. The large changes thus shown confirm the conviction prevalent that some large financial projects are pending.

MONEY.

Money on call, steady at 2 1-4 to 3 per cent, closing bid and asked, 2 to 2 1-2 per cent. Prime paper, 4 to 4 1-2 per cent. Sterling exchange steady with actual business in bankers' bill at demand, $4.87¼; sixty days, $4.84½. Bar silver, 54⅞.

Decatur Markets.

Wholesale Prices.

Lemons, 300 size	$3.00	to	$3.25
Apples (per barrel)	3.50	to	5.00
Northern potatoes, bu.	.88	to	.90
Cabbage, per lb.	.01¼	to	.01½
Bananas, bunch	.75	to	2.00
Sweet potatoes, per bbl	4.00	to	4.25
Onions, bushel	1.50	to	1.65
Cranberries, per bbl.	7.50	to	8.00
Oranges, California navels, per box	2.25	to	3.00
PAID BY GROCERS.			
Butter	.16	to	.20
Eggs	.20	to	.22
Lard	.10	to	
GRAIN.			
White corn	.55	to	
Mixed corn	.54	to	
Wheat, soft	.80	to	
Oats, white	.41	to	
Oats, mixed	.40	to	
Rye	.55	to	
POULTRY—LIVE WEIGHT.			
Hens	.08	to	
Springs	.08	to	
Cocks	.03	to	
Ducks	.07	to	
Young hen turkeys	.11	to	
Young tom turkeys	.10	to	
Old hen turkeys	.08	to	
Old tom turkeys	.06	to	
Geese	.05	to	
Eggs	.22	to	
BUTCHER STOCK.			
Hogs, per 100 lbs.	5.50	to	$5.90
Calves	4.00	to	4.50
Shipping cattle	4.50	to	5.00
Cows	2.50	to	3.50
Heifers	3.00	to	3.75
Butcher steers	3.50	to	4.25
Sheep	2.50	to	3.25
Lambs	3.00	to	4.00
HIDES AND WOOL.			
Hides, No. 1, green, lb	.06	to	
Horse hides, each	2.00	to	2.50
Mule hides, each	1.50	to	
Calf hides, lb.	.07½	to	.08
Colt hides	.50	to	.75
Cured hides, lb.	.06	to	.06½
Wool, lb.	.14	to	.16
FEED. RETAIL PRICES.			
Oats	.50	to	.55
Corn	.70	to	.75
Linseed oil meal, cwt	1.75	to	2.00
HAY AND STRAW.			
Timothy, per cwt.	.75	to	.80
Clover, per cwt.	.60	to	.65
Oats straw, per cwt.	.30	to	.44
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WHOLESALE HAY AND STRAW.			
Timothy hay, per ton	$11.00	to	13.00
Clover hay, per ton	.00	to	9.00
Oats straw, per ton	4.50	to	5.50
Shredded fodder	6.00	to	8.00
Wheat straw, per ton	4.00	to	4.50

Brain Food Nonsense.

Another ridiculous food fad has been branded by the most competent authorities. They have dispelled the silly notion that one kind of food is needed for brain, another for muscles and still another for bones. A correct diet will not only nourish a particular part of the body, but it will sustain every other part. Yet, however good your food may be its nutriment is destroyed by indigestion, or dyspepsia. You must prepare for their appearance or prevent their coming by taking regular doses of Green's August Flower, the favorite medicine of the healthy millions. A few doses aids digestion, stimulates the liver to healthy action, purifies the blood, and makes you feel buoyant and vigorous. You can get Dr. G. G. Green's reliable remedies at all drug stores. Get Green's Special Almanac.

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FOR SALE Up-to-date hammerless Smith & Wesson 32 revolver, good ... gun; cylinder music; oil heaters ... new; also magic lantern with 72 ... quarter-sawed oak sideboard. ... 117 South Main. New phone ... 7-1w2t

NOTICE The Oakley tax collector will ... at Oakley on Thursdays of each ... and Cerro Gordo bank on Fridays, ... the First National Bank on Satur... ... David Strohm. Jan24w3w

WANTED Everybody to know that the only place to get a square meal for ... cents is at Myers restaurant, 451 ... Water street, Decatur, Illinois.— ... 15 wtf

WANTED Carriage painting and trimming; all kinds of vehicles put in first class shape. Fine work a specialty; latest ... colors and styles. I can please you. ... English, 122 North Church street. ...22-dtf

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ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE—Estate of Joseph Van Dongen deceased. The undersigned having been appointed administrator of the estate of Joseph Van Dongen, late of the County of Macon and State of Illinois, deceased, hereby gives notice that he will appear before the County Court of Macon County, at the court house in Decatur at the May term, on the first Monday in May next, at which time all persons having claims against said estate are notified and requested to attend for the purpose of having the same adjusted. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned.

Dated this 18th day of January, 1902.
Peter T. Van Dongen, Administrator.
Alexander McIntosh, Attorney.
TUESDAYS Jan21w3w

MASTER IN CHANCERY'S SALE—State of Illinois, Macon County, ss. In the Circuit Court. May Esta Hacke, who sues by her Guardian, Amulda T. Hacke, Complainant vs. Augustus C. Hacke, et al., Defendant. In Chancery No. 18230.

Public Notice is Hereby Given, That in pursuance of a decree of the Circuit Court of Macon County, in the State of Illinois, entered in the above entitled cause at the January Term of said Court, A. D., 1902, I, James J. Finn, Master in Chancery of said Court, will on Wednesday, March 5, 1902, at the hour of 3 o'clock p. m., at the front door of the Bank of Latham, in the village of Latham, Logan county, Illinois, offer for sale at public vendue to the highest and best bidder, the real estate in said decree ordered to be sold; being described as follows, to-wit: The northeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section six (6) Township Seventeen (17) North Range One (1) East of the Third Principal Meridian in Macon County, Illinois.

Terms of Sale: One-half of purchase price, cash in hand, balance in one year with interest at 5 per cent, to be secured by a mortgage on the premises sold, but the privilege is reserved for any purchaser to pay all cash if he so desires.

Dated at Decatur, Illinois, this 10th day of February, A. D., 1902.
JAMES J. FINN,
Master in Chancery.
Hoblitt & Smith, Complainant's Solicitors. Feb. 11-w3w
TUESDAYS

"Ordinarily," says the Long Suffering Benedict, "I don't mind being robbed, but it makes me mad to have a restaurant put prunes in its mince pies and try to palm them off as raisins."

Speaking of Governor Dole's knocking out a Kansas paper notes that it is "Q'een Liliuoccetera's" chance to laugh again.

NEARBY TOWNS

MONTICELLO.

Mrs. H. E. Kelly of Gibson is visiting with her son, Dale C. Kelly, and family over Sunday.

Mrs. C. W. Piatt left Sunday for Hot Springs, Ark., to treat for her rheumatism.

George Cregger, who lives with William H. Kratz, accompanied by Bert Lyon of Decatur, have gone to southern Illinois to visit home people.

Miss Nellie Bond, who was visiting friends in Litchfield several days, has returned.

Charles Housleman and John Johns have returned from a several months' stay in California. The former's mother lives there.

Rev. Watson, an evangelist of wide reputation, will hold a series of meetings in the Presbyterian church some time in March.

Circuit court adjourned Saturday at 3 p. m. to Monday morning. The grand jury, contrary to predictions, is still finding business.

Albert Unholz, the printer, moved his job office to Princeton, Ill. It is understood he and Fred Unholz will run a newspaper there.

Lorenzo Dow Ginger, who has been staying at H. Dillius, changed his base by going to Mansfield.

Arthur Betts of Argenta attended court a couple of days last week. He had a suit against an implement dealer at Cisco which resulted in his favor.

The funeral of Mrs. Willard Harrington will take place at the late residence on Monday afternoon, Rev. H. G. Gleiser officiating.

There are to be some spicy criminal cases tried in court when that docket is reached.

The people generally have been taking advantage of the excellent sleighing the last two weeks.

W. C. Johns has several cases in the court for Alvin Caldwell. Caldwell is trying to maintain his reputation as a litigant.

Feb. 10.

LOVINGTON.

Int Stanley was a Decatur visitor Tuesday.

Frank Curtis resumed his duties Monday as fireman on a Vandalia freight train after a ten days' vacation.

Miss Edith Bynner is the guest of Lake City friends this week.

The revival at the Christian church will continue over Sunday and possibly longer. There have been twenty-six additions.

Miss Delia Green is quite ill at her home on West Green street.

J. A. Idall has purchased O. E. Dudleston's property in the west part of town.

Nearly all the trains were late Tuesday on account of Monday night's storm.

George Hewitt suffered a stroke of partial paralysis Wednesday afternoon. For a while his left side was almost entirely paralyzed, but at present he is much improved.

Miss Ida Custer is in Sullivan this week, being treated by E. E. Bushart, the osteopathist.

Ted and Pete Merritt of Sullivan, were here Thursday.

The revival at the M. E. church began Monday evening.

Miss Ethel Rhodes and Dr. H. J. Parker were happily wedded Wednesday afternoon at the home of the bride's parents, south of Lovington. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Sharpless, pastor of the Christian church, in the presence of members of the family only. Dinner was served immediately after the ceremony was performed. The bride is an accomplished and handsome young lady. During the past two years she has engaged in the millinery business at Moweaqua, but recently disposed of her business. The groom is a practicing physician and a prominent citizen of his town. The happy couple left Wednesday for Clayton, where they will make their future home. Their hosts of friends extend congratulations. Feb. 10.

CERRO GORDO.

A number from here attended court in Monticello last week.

Mrs. Ollie Hurtt of Decatur was visiting relatives here last week.

Mrs. Link McLaughlin is entertaining her sister, Miss Nan O'Dowd of Winchester.

The high school is preparing to give a patriotic entertainment on the evening of the 25th.

The Rebeccas will give a Valentine Social next Friday evening. An interesting program has been prepared.

The little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Eiler is quite seriously ill.

Frank Grayson of Omaha, Neb., is visiting relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. Lou Hale of Bethany are visiting Mrs. Hale's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Cole.

The revival in progress at the M. E. church will close Sunday night.

Mrs. Frank Edwards and children returned Wednesday from a visit with relatives at Harvel.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hurd are expected home from their tour of the west some time this week.

Mrs. H. J. Schwarz and sister, Miss Carrie Chapman, are visiting relatives at Irving, Illinois.

Miss Sara Miller of McPherson, Kan., is visiting at the home of J. W. Cripe.

Miss Rena Hamond of Milmine, is spending the week with her aunt, Mrs. Geo. Walker.

The six-months-old child of Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Hufford, died Wednesday afternoon at their home, west of town. The funeral was held Thursday conducted by the Rev. J. H. McClure. Interment at the Frantz cemetery.

The Rev. Welton of Argenta, will preach at the Christian church Sunday morning and evening.

STONINGTON.

Roy Corzine returned last week to Champaign, to resume his studies.

Will Ridge of Assumption is the guest of the families of Allen and Warren Corzine.

Miss Lyla Burdick of Vona, who is visiting her sister, Mrs. Ed Walley, is confined to her bed with the measles.

Revival meetings will commence at the Baptist church next Sunday evening. Rev. Burt of Pana will assist Rev. Midkiff.

Miss Mary Doyle is the guest of friends at Monticello.

Miss Bessie Miller went to Decatur Saturday morning to visit her parents.

Dr. Horace Reed preached at the M. E church Saturday and Sunday nights.

In the voting contest given by the Throbs of Life Concert company, Miss Pearl Markwell received the highest number of votes and was presented with a solid gold ring as a souvenir.

Samuel Igo and son of Shelbyville were buying horses in and around Stonington last week. Feb. 10.

FORSYTH.

J. Kenton of Decatur, has bought Chas. Hanks' property in Forsyth where he will move in a few weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Vic Benton visited Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hoover, Wednesday.

Frank Gulick is on the sick list.

Miss Hannah Bunn of Mansfield, Ark., is visiting his uncle, Pat Burns.

Quarterly conference at Forsyth, Feb. 20 and 21. The elder will preach at 2 p. m. on Thursday, Feb. 20, and hold quarterly conference following and preach again at 7. Friday morning from 9 to 10 Rev. Miles of Maroa, will conduct bible class and preaching service from 10 to 11 o'clock. The elder will preach again in the afternoon at 2 p. m. and at 7 p. m.

Junior League will meet Saturday afternoon at 2:30 p. m., Mrs. Longbrake, superintendent. Prayer meeting every Wednesday evening at 7 p. m. Sunday school at 2 p. m. prompt. Preaching service at 7:15. All are urged to be present at these services. Rev. Longbrake, pastor. Feb. 10.

MILITARY GUARD

New Feature Introduced in the Y. M. C. A. Work

A military guard was organized at the Y. M. C. A. rooms on Sunday afternoon among the boys' department, under charge of W. B. Coughlin, boys' secretary. The companies were formed and officers elected. Each company is to be filled with ten men and two officers, a captain and a lieutenant. Although all the companies are not full at the start, they will be filled as rapidly as possible. The object is to have ten companies, making a regiment of 120 men. W. B. Coughlin will be commander-in-chief. The name chosen by the boys was "Boys' Triangle Guard." The triangle is the emblem of the Y. M. C. A. The companies and officers are as follows:

Company A—Captain, Howard Wise; lieutenant, Walter May; Chester Chandler, Paul Bachman, George Eckels, Earl Horine, Ralph Bagely, John La Mon, Arthur Burks.

Company B—Captain, Chester Sikking; lieutenant, Stewart King; Clarence Van Deventer, Edgar Taggart, Monroe Robertson, Frank Harry, Arthur Keck, Alford Levy, Harry Melton.

Company C—Captain, Harold Mills; lieutenant, Isaac Hall; Orville Hawkins, Jimmie Walters, Guy Rodgers, Boyd Laughbom, Lawrence Drobisch, Earl Dawson.

Company D—Captain, Milroy Quinlan; lieutenant, Kenneth Wood; Paxton Lytle, Ralph Tenney, Kenneth Montgomery, Robert Drobisch, Earl Bagely, Arthur Harry.

A. J. HORINE DEAD

Former Well Known Salesman Expires at Danville

A. J. Horine died Sunday morning, Feb. 9, at his home in Danville. His death was due to consumption, from which he had suffered for several years. Besides his wife he leaves parents and two brothers and two sisters.

Mr. Horine formerly resided in Decatur at which time he was employed by the Linn & Scruggs Co. After being with them for about seven years he was obliged on account of his health to give up his position and went to Danville, where he has since been conducting the Tremont house. A short time ago he became worse and took a trip to Arizona, but the change did not prove beneficial and he returned about three weeks ago to Danville, where he died.

The funeral will be held at 2:30 p. m. from the Tremont house and the remains will be taken to Arrowsmith, Ill., for interment.

EMMA FLOYD.

Miss Emma Floyd died at her home, seven miles southeast of Decatur, Sunday morning, Feb. 9, at 8 o'clock. She was 26 years old and her death was due to consumption.

The funeral will be held Tuesday at 1 p. m. from Shady Grove church and the services will be conducted by Rev. Mr. Greer.

ARNOLD.

H. C. Arnold, aged 87 years, died at his home in Macon Sunday night. The deceased was one of the oldest residents of that part of the country. He had been engaged as a farmer and as a grain buyer. He is survived by his wife, three sons and five daughters. The funeral will be held today, the services being at the Methodist church at 1:30.

Runaways

Monday the police sent home to Normal, Joe and George Guinan, runaways from the Soldiers' Orphans' home at Normal. The boys were 13 and 14 years old and said that they came to Decatur on the head end of an Illinois Central passenger train. There were arrested in this city on Sunday.

HARTEN ACQUITTED

Villian in the Show Did Not Carry a Revolver—Trial at Macon

There was an exciting law suit at Macon Monday before Squire Daggett, in which M. C. Griffin appeared for the defendant and J. A. Montgomery and J. R. Fitzgerald for the prosecution. The case was the outgrowth of a patent medicine show given in the village during the past week. A gold watch was voted to the most popular young lady. The decision did not suit all the patrons and a dispute arose, which resulted in C. N. Harten, the villain in the show, being arrested for carrying concealed weapons. It was shown that he used a revolver on the stage. The jury acquitted him.

Brown's Business College Notes

The Rockford business college will hold graduation exercises in the opera house of that place on Wednesday. It will be one of the largest classes which has ever graduated in any school under the Brown business college system. There will be ninety-seven graduates. The principal address will be made by Governor Yates, who will talk on "Abraham Lincoln." H. M. Owens, principal of the college here and secretary of the association, will be at the exercises. N. W. Ferris, principal of the Ferris industrial school at Big Rapids, will speak.

THE NEW ANTIOCH

Congregation Met Last Night on Spring Avenue and Reorganize Their Society

THEY SEEK ADVICE IN COURT

Present Organization Mounts a Guard to Prevent Interference With their Possession—Will Hold Regular Services

At the Antioch Baptist church on Spring avenue last night the members of the congregation met and reorganized under the name of the First Antioch Baptist church of Decatur and elected officers. The meeting was presided over by W. H. C. Robinson, as moderator, he having been a deacon in the old organization. The new organization was perfected by the election of these officers:

Deacons—W. H. C. Robinson, H. Long and John Harper.

Trustees—James Long, W. H. C. Robinson and Robert Stewart.

Secretary—Robert Stewart.

Treasurer—George Claypool.

The officers announced that there would be a minister here from Springfield every other Sunday, but there would be services at the church every Sunday, Sunday school at the usual hours and prayer meeting Wednesday night.

The officers of the church likewise said that they had withdrawn the hand of fellowship from those who had left the organization to go to the Macedonia Baptist church.

Rev. Bates has been pastor of the Antioch Baptist church but with two of the deacons and some of the members left that organization. Just why he did so does not appear, but according to the statement of those who remained and organized the new church there is no question on that score. It is said that Rev. Bates wished to take possession of the Macedonia church on Broadway and united the two congregations. That would no doubt be a big task for the Macedonia church was already divided. When the suggestion was made two of the deacons concurred in the scheme of the pastor. They had the keys to the Spring avenue church and locked out the members who did not want to abandon that place of worship.

The statement is made that a part of the plan of Rev. Bates was to build a new church. Many years ago Captain Allen gave to the colored people of Decatur the lot upon which the Antioch church stands, with the understanding that it was always to be used for church purposes, else it would revert to the heirs. Some of the congregation who did not want to desert the old home wrote to Miss Laura Allen, now living in Chicago, and the only one of the direct heirs of Captain Allen living. She said that if the place was abandoned the provision of the deed would be enforced and that the lot would revert to the heirs of her father.

Those persons who wanted to remain in the Spring avenue building did not want a law suit and they didn't know just what course to pursue. They appealed to Supervisor James Hollinger, as a disinterested person. Monday morning Supervisor Hollinger, accompanied by Deacon Robinson and others of the Antioch church wishing to remain in the old place of worship, visited the county court. Supervisor Hollinger acted as spokesman and explained to Judge Hammer the situation. The statement was made that the congregation did not want to get into a legal fight and that they felt that they could no afford to hire a lawyer or two for the fun of getting into court. It was explained to the judge that the pastor and some of the congregation had gone away with the expressed determination of seeking another house of worship. The congregation numbered ninety and according to the statement of those who wished to remain, only twenty-three had left the Spring avenue building. Judge Hammer said that on the face of such conditions, the persons who had gone away had clearly abandoned their right to any title in the property and that those who had remained had not surrendered any rights. He was informed that the building was locked against those who wished to remain. The court advised that they get through a window or some other way, take off the old lock and put on a new one. They acted on that advice, removed the old lock and put on a new one. Later in the day some members of the faction which wished to abandon that property took off the lock placed by the Robinson faction and in its place put a pad-lock. Then some of the Robinson faction returned and removed the pad-lock and put on their new lock and left men to guard the place.

That was the condition of things up to last night. The members who remained declared that they are regularly organized and that it is their intention to hold services there as has been done since the time the church was first erected and they will continue to claim the title of the First Antioch Baptist church.

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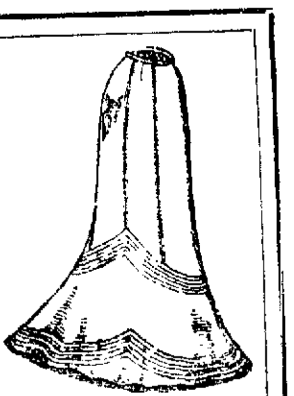
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We place on sale this week some early purchases in Silk Waists. We have some very excellent values in Black and Colored Waists. It is QUALITY we GARANTEE. A splendid Waist for $3.98
The Best Waist in fancy and tucked, the new sleeves, and guaranteed for $4.98
Choice of some very pretty $6.50 and $7.50 Waists we offer to early buyers $5.98
Special in Waists this week of winter stock. Some large sizes: 40, 42, 44; all Black Flannel. Worth everywhere $1.50 and $2. To close the large sizes, our price 98c
All fancy Mercerized Waists, all fancy Flannel Waists that sold for 75c, 98c, all placed on sale this week for 50c

LADIES' SKIRTS.
Our new stock is in and we are showing some of the best values ever offered in Decatur. Come and see what we say is true. A good full size, well made, Oxford Walking Skirt, with flounce, worth anywhere $2, this week, special price $1.48
The best full flounced Pedestrian Skirt placed on the market to retail for $4. Our price this week in Grey, Black and Blue only $2.98
Better Skirts in Dress Skirts, Walking Skirts, and made of all the new cloths in



the latest corded styles. Come and see them. Prices are $3.98, $4.98, $6.50, $7.50, and $9.50

LADIES' TAILORED SUIT SALE.
This Week. But come at once to get a suit, while the stock is fresh.
25 light colored all Wool Covert Cloth Suits, regular $9 values. Our special price $5.00
Some very fine Basket Cloth Norfolk Jacket Styles in black grey and navy. We name a price on these suits that can't be duplicated anywhere $9.75
Our new Taffeta Silk Lined Jacket Suits, in Brown, Navy, Black and Grey, made of the new cloths, and styles that equal the handsomest $20 and $25 suits. Workmanship is good. Our price now $12.50

For $15 we will surpass any suit offered this season. Our suit department refits any and all suits free of charge. Ask to see the ones we are offering for .. $15.00

NEW GINGHAMS New MERCERIZED GINGHAM NEW SILK GINGHAMS
We have received some very attractive styles and patterns. Ginghams in all the new stripes worth 10c, 12 1-2c and 15c
MERCERIZED GINGHAMS 15c, 18c and 25c
The prettiest Silk Ginghams to be had. Our price per yard 49c
Monday we place on sale all $1 and $1.25 fleeced Wrappers, the whole lot to be closed, only 75c
Monday we place on sale all $1 and $1.25 Dressing Sacques made of Eiderdown in plain and fancy 69c
2000 Ladies' Vests and Pants, regular 25c and 35c grades, heavy fleeced, ribbed, only 19c
500 Heavy Fleeced Ribbed Vests and Pants for Misses, ages 6 to 12, our special price on 15c, 18c and 20c goods 10c
300 good School Umbrellas worth everywhere 75c. Our price 49c
MONDAY all 50c and 60c white fleeced 10-4 Cotton Blankets go for per pair 39c

HINMAN BROS. COMPANY, 151 NORTH WATER ST. DECATUR, ILL.

AKERS & WILSON

Sell Jewel Stoves & Ranges



This No. 8 Jewel cook stove extra heavy top, pouch feed nickel tea shelf, nickel towel rod, extension shelf, double fire back, is constructed of the best new iron, (no old scrap iron used); sold on 30 days' trial, if not satisfied it is the best stove on the market, we cheerfully refund the purchase money—only

$17.50

We have cheaper cook stoves—$10 upwards. We are closing out entire line of heaters at reduced prices.

Special Prices on Complete Outfits for Next 30 Days

AKERS & WILSON,

NEXT TO POST OFFICE. We pay the Freight.

Sons of Rest

A number of young men of the north end of the city have organized the club called the Sons of Rest. They met Saturday and elected officers as follows:

President—Charles Wessner.

Secretary and Treasurer—Morris Surface.

Program Committee—Phillip Ruebesamen.

The club has headquarters over the Ruebesamen saloon and will meet weekly.

Wants a Divorce

In the circuit court Lillian Milligan has filed a petition asking for a divorce from James L. Milligan. The couple were married in 1883 and she left him some time ago on account of his drunkenness and cruel treatment. During a considerable part of their married life they lived in Mexico. She asks for the custody of their son, aged 12 years. The defendant is now supposed to be in Amory, Miss.

Ban Removed

A. H. Mills and family are at liberty to come and go again as of yore. The scarlet fever card was removed yesterday and the house fumigated. The little folks of the family who were afflicted with the disease have recovered and there does not appear to be any further danger.

A Sale

W. W. Conard will have a sale at his residence tomorrow. Col. Tobe Ward will act as the auctioneer.

"When your own baby cries in church it is a poor little thing," says the Alfalfa Sage. "When some one else's baby cries it is a nuisance."

HARDWARE MEN

Will Meet Here Tomorrow and Next Day in State Convention

The annual state convention of the hardware men of the state will be held here tomorrow and next day. It is expected that the meeting will be attended by not less than 110 delegates. The Chicago crowd will be down this evening, coming on a special train over the Wabash. A few of the delegates came in last night and more are expected this morning.

The St. Nicholas hotel has been selected as headquarters. The session of the association will be held in the Elks club room. There will be a banquet at the St. Nicholas on Wednesday evening.

"Let Go."

Sale begins Wednesday morning, Feb. 12 in the shoe store of Davis B. Folrath, 152 E. Main street, sign of "the cobbler." will excell any similar occasion ever held in any shoe store anywhere in this country. Great quantities of stylish, well made and honestly priced shoes for women, men and children. Chiefly winter weight, however, will be "let go" far below regular prices, way down and dirt cheap. Supply your shoe needs at this sale, by all means.
DAVIS B. FOLRATH.

Fire at Maroa

About 2:30 o'clock Saturday afternoon a fire started in the building occupied by the harness shop of H. C. Harrington. The fire started from a defective flue. The alarm was given before the fire had made much headway, the flames, however, had shown up through the roof and as the building was a frame structure with similar buildings on each side, it looked at first as if it would be a more serious affair than it proved to be. The fire company soon had the fire under control, after they reached the scene, which they were not long in doing after the alarm was given. The contents of the barber shop and millinery store adjoining were quickly moved into the street, but were taken back when the excitement was over. The damage was very light; perhaps $100 will cover the entire loss.

It is not until a man reaches forty that he begins to wrap the small bills on the outside of the roll.

MULE SALE

We will sell at public auction at our barn in Macon, Ill., on
WEDNESDAY, FEB. 19, 1902,
the following described property: 75 head of mules, ranging in age from 3 to 6 years and standing from 15½ to 17 hands high. These mules are all Illinois mules of good color, good bone, sound and are mated in pairs and are well broke and gentle. Eight head of horses, consisting of one sorrel mare, 4 years old, weight 1450; one bay horse, 5 years old, weighing 1400, one bay horse, 6 years old, weighing 1150, one brown mare, 8 years old; two 3-year-old colts. One set of work harness, good as new. Standard bred stallion, "Comp," No. 31840, full brother to Tom P., 2:12½, sire by Combat jr., 6922 by Combat 1038; sire of eight in 2:30 class, including Brown 2:18¾, Souda 2:16, William 2:20¼, Starrant 2:27¼, and four sires of 11 in 2:30; first dam "Emma C.," dam of Tom P. 2:12½, by Mason Harry 6557, he by Harry Turner 2722; second dam Danville Poy 440. Description, 15¾ hands high, weight about 1200 pounds; color, beautiful bay, star in forehead, white hind feet; Never trained, but shows a 2:40 or better pacing gait. Very stylish either trotting or pacing. Extra breeder. Terms: credit of 6 to 9 months will be given. Purchaser to give note with approved security before removing property. Notes to draw 7 per cent interest from date. Sale to commence at 12:30 o'clock p. m. F. E. Wilson auctioneer, and E. L. Hight, clerk.

H. Patterson & Son

NEWSPAPERARCHIVE®

ANECDOTES OF MEN IN OFFICIAL LIFE

Mr. Morgan [illegible] has recently purchased [illegible]

[illegible]

"Something that Morgan said before [illegible]

[illegible]

Mrs. Morgan [illegible] the conversation when [illegible]

[illegible]

The elevator conductor [illegible] bells. It was the signal [illegible] the same instant [illegible] bells. The man glanced [illegible] and saw that one signal [illegible]

CASTORIA.
Bears the Signature of *Chas. H. Fletcher.* The Kind You Have Always Bought

The Pekin Trotting association is incorporated for $8,000.

We make a broad statement when we say "money back," but we mean it. If Sennewald's Prescription FOUR THOUSAND will not cure Inflammatory Rheumatism. L. A. Sennewald & Co., St. Louis.

The Gibson Library association was recently organized with 112 members.

Coughs and colds come uninvited, but you can quickly get rid of them with a few doses of BALLARD'S HOREHOUND SYRUP. Price 25 and 50 cents. John E. King and Frank W. Swearingen.

Five Paxton boys have been fined $7 each for jumping on moving trains.

Don't Give Up Hopes

Of ever being cured. Sennewald's Prescription FOUR THOUSAND positively cures inflammatory Rheumatism or you get your money back. $1 per bottle at druggists.

The Metropolitan band of Mackinaw will give a masquerade party on February 14.

TABLER'S BUCKEYE PILE OINTMENT is the only remedy for blind, bleeding or protruding piles indorsed by physicians. cures the most obstinate cases. Price 50 cents in bottles. Tubes 75 cents.

For sale by John E. King and Frank W. Sweaingen.

[illegible]

CASTORIA.
Bears the Signature of *Chas. H. Fletcher.* The Kind You Have Always Bought

[illegible]

In pulmonary trouble the direct action of BALLARD'S HOREHOUND SYRUP upon the throat [illegible] lungs [illegible] the phlegm and [illegible] the vocal and breathing organs. Price 25 and 50 cents. John E. King and Frank W. Sweaingen.

[illegible]

If you have pain in your back or [illegible] you have Rheumatism. Take Sennewald's Prescription FOUR THOUSAND which is prepared to only cure Rheumatism [illegible]. Price $1. For sale by druggists.

[illegible]

CASTORIA.
Bears the Signature of *Chas. H. Fletcher.* The Kind You Have Always Bought

[illegible]

Mrs. A. R. McCurdy, 45 East Third street, Fort Wayne, Ind., writes that she suffered from an attack of Rheumatism for six months. She bought Prescription FOUR THOUSAND from a druggist at $1.00 a bottle and was entirely cured.

To My Mother

Deal gently with her, Time, these many years
Of life have brought more smiles with them than tears.
Lay not thy hand too harshly on her brow,
[illegible] the sunset of the Northern June
When twilight lingers in the summer [illegible]
And fades at last into the starlit night,
[illegible] the passing of the light
[illegible] the common
[illegible] resting steps and knows [illegible]

—Allan Wyeth in the Century.

CASTORIA
For Infants and Children.
The Kind You Have Always Bought
Bears the Signature of *Chas. H. Fletcher.*

[illegible]

[illegible] with HERBINE [illegible] it will strengthen the liver to withdraw from circulation the biliary poisons. Price 50 cents. John E. King and Frank W. Sweaingen.

[illegible] Blue Grass [illegible] 10th.

Here is a Proposition.

If you are suffering with Inflammatory Rheumatism and Prescription FOUR THOUSAND does not cure money will be refunded. That is fair is it not? For sale by druggists.

[illegible] will wed Miss [illegible]

LIVERLA, the up to date Little Liver Pill 5c boxes contains 15 pills 10c boxes contain 40 pills, 25c boxes contain 100 pills. Sold by John E. King, Decatur, Illinois.

Mr. Spreckles' Dilemma

[illegible] Claus Spreckels [illegible] interests of [illegible] Republican.

Persons who lead a life of exposure are subject to rheumatism, neuralgia and lumbago, will find a valuable remedy in BALLARD'S SNOW LINIMENT. It will banish pains and subdue inflammation. Price 25 and 50 cents. John E. King and Frank W. Sweaingen.

[illegible]

[illegible] Salt Creek. [illegible] $9,000.

Many a little innocent darling is suffering untold agony and cannot explain its troubles. Mark your child's symptoms, you may find it troubled with worms. Give it WHITE'S CREAM VERMIFUGE and restore it to quietness and health. Price 25 cents. Sold by John E. King and Frank W. Sweaingen.

The Lady's Name

[illegible] Now there is a movement in Paris inaugurated by the Woman Suffrage Society to develop the independence and separateness of [illegible] still further. It is nothing [illegible]

Beware of Ointments for Catarrh that Contain Mercury,

as mercury will surely destroy the sense of smell and completely derange the whole system when entering it through the mucous surfaces. Such articles should never be used except on prescriptions from reputable physicians, as the damage they will do is ten fold to the good you can possibly derive from them. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, O., contains no mercury, and is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. In buying Hall's Catarrh Cure be sure you get the genuine. It is taken internally and made in Toledo, O., by F. J. Cheney & Co. Testimonials free.

Sold by druggists, price 75c per bottle.

Hall's family pills are the best.

Father: "There! I have but one more [illegible] to you. Have you seen my [illegible]?"

[illegible] "I have, [illegible] but I love her still."—Brooklyn Life.

Unseen

And where is God? the Doubter asked.
I do not see Him anywhere.
Behind what creature is He masked
In sea or earth [illegible] air?

Where are the violets? asked the child.
I do not see them, yet I know
Although the winds are blowing wild
They are dry beneath the snow.
[illegible] Francis Egan in Donahoe's Magazine.

WANT BEMENT'S PARK

Miss Lizzie Hunt and Mother Ask for Partition and Setting Aside of Donation

The village of Bement has an unpleasant case on its hands and it may be a serious one [illegible]

The story of the case leading up to the present time is something like this. In 1855 [illegible] on the first day of [illegible] Hunt donated the lots [illegible] in the public [illegible] condition that the first church of the denomination of Protestant Episcopal, Methodist, Presbyterian or Baptist erect or have erected a church on [illegible] building to be erected by the inhabitants of Bement, while the other tract was to be used for a public square and for [illegible] purpose.

Now [illegible] a daughter of [illegible] Hunt, and her mother Mrs. Sarah Hunt, ask [illegible] partition [illegible] public square be set aside.

The [illegible] declares in her bill that the three lots in question have not been used for the purpose for which they were donated, that a church was not erected [illegible] and a school building was not built [illegible] and that the public square was perverted to other uses than that of a public square. The [illegible] further declares that a bicycle track was constructed within the limits of the public square, that other things were [illegible] which has put the tract to uses other than for which the tract was donated.

[illegible] lots in question are located in the very heart of the village of Bement.

The [illegible] prays that the donation be set aside and that the lots revert to the heirs of the late Josiah Hunt.

Miss Lizzie Hunt, the [illegible] and her [illegible] Attorneys M. R. Davidson of this city and R. J. Anderson of Hannibal [illegible] looking after the interests of the plaintiffs.

What the outcome of the case shall be, remains to be [illegible] but that the case may prove of considerable interest to many people is certain. Monticello Bulletin.

Must Marry or Quit

All unmarried employes of the Deseret Daily News, Salt Lake City, the official organ of the Mormon church, [illegible] it is reported that they must marry before June [illegible] resign. No denial of the statement that such an order has been issued appeared in the columns of the newspaper and the employes [illegible] that the statement is correct.

The city editor of the News declares, however, that he started the story as a joke on the unmarried employes of the News and the allied offices, the paper operating a bindery and job printing office also. The News treats the story as published as a joke. Some of the old bachelors on the paper, however, regard it as serious.

BOODY

Revival meetings [illegible] in progress at the Methodist church.

William Fritz [illegible] Elvering, W. M. Morrison [illegible] Boody Elevator company.

W. G. Hyplins has accepted a position with Ott Reynolds in Decatur.

A petition for a rural route has been circulated southwest of here.

M. [illegible] Small was in Decatur Monday.

Mrs. [illegible] Potter of Arkansas, who has been visiting Dr. Morenzy and family, [illegible] Thursday.

WELDON

[illegible] is visiting relatives at [illegible]

Wesley Cox, who has been visiting relatives in Kansas, returned last Friday.

George Hukriun is in Chicago buying horses.

Hiram Pryor and family are visiting relatives at [illegible]

Mrs. M. [illegible] is in Decatur for a visit to her daughter.

[illegible] is recovering from the small pox.

Frank [illegible] of [illegible] county, is visiting relatives here.

Feb. 6.

MOUNT ZION

Mrs. Benny Smith is on the sick list.

[illegible] Billy Combs [illegible] among the sick.

[illegible] Downey of Decatur spent Sunday with his parents here, Mr. and Mrs. John Downey.

Mrs. [illegible] Sanders of Blue Mound visited with Mrs. Rate Davis last Friday.

Mrs. C. M. Fletcher and sons Robert and Raymond were Decatur visitors Monday.

[illegible] Smith of Decatur visited with his mother Mrs. [illegible] Smith here Sunday.

Miss Mollie Hines visited with her sister Mrs. P. J. Cullen in Decatur last week.

Miss Minnie [illegible] has gone to Shumway to visit with her parents.

[illegible] visited with friends in Decatur last Saturday and Sunday.

Port Scott and sister Mrs. Harry Grounds of Dalton City visited here last Wednesday.

C. M. Fletcher went to Chicago with a car load of cattle Tuesday evening.

A number of young folk from here attended protracted meeting at Prairie Hall last Friday evening.

Miss Mary Sullivan visited with friends in Dalton City last Sunday.

Miss Grace Record of Decatur is visiting with Dessie Fletcher this week.

Ice harvest has begun here. E. S. Ulery and W. S. Smith have about ten teams at work.

February 7.

MAROA

Almia Schenck has returned from an extended trip through the southwest.

John Leedy has moved to the Ben Miller farm and will work for Mr. Miller this season.

The box social at the American school house last Friday evening was well attended and would have been an enjoyable affair but for the fact that a crowd of hoodlums were present. Their conduct was ungentlemanly to say the least and it is hoped by the people who gave the entertainment that these gentlemen (?) will have the good sense to absent themselves next time a similar event takes place.

W. L. Times made a business trip to Poplar Bluff, Mo., this week.

John Denton, a former resident of this vicinity, died last Friday at his home in Lyons, Kas., where he had resided the past fifteen years. Mr. Denton is survived by a wife and four children. Mrs. Denton is a sister of Charles M. Cutler of this city.

H. C. Harrington has opened a harness shop in the building west of Jump Bros. barber shop. Mr. Harrington formerly conducted a harness shop in the same place.

Bud McGee made a business trip to Clinton Thursday.

The Crocker Elevator company shipped a car load of corn Thursday to Robert Morse at Morse, Ia.

John Norris shipped a car load of hogs to Chicago Friday.

J. W. Hill left Thursday for Flint, Mich., where he is interested in a dry goods store.

Thomas Castello went to Chicago Thursday.

S. J. Cross left Friday for Williamsburg, Kas., for a few weeks' visit with relatives and friends.

Frank Schenck, James Harris, Frank Stroud and William McGuire left Tuesday [illegible]

The third contest between Maroa and the Warrensburg clubs resulted in a defeat for the home team. The games were played in Decatur last Wednesday. Dan Warwick told the Herald correspondent confidentially that the reason Maroa was beaten was that the Decatur alleys [illegible]

John Shaw, David Shaw and [illegible] Canady left Tuesday for a trip through Oklahoma.

The funeral of M. A. Osborne of Decatur, who hung himself in Alexandria, Va., was held at the Presbyterian church Wednesday afternoon. Mr. Osborne was a son-in-law of John Thuman, east of town. The interment was at the Maroa cemetery.

February 6.

Riches

Have you a little baby boy,
A few months more than two years old,
With soft brown eyes that beam with joy
And silken ringlets bathed in gold,
Who toddling follows you around
And plays beside you near the hearth,
Whose prattle is the sweetest sound
To you of all glad notes of earth?

Have you a little baby boy,
Who when the voice of slumber calls,
Reluctant leaves each tattered toy,
And in your strong arms weary falls,
Who, yawning, looks with sleepy eyes
Into your own and faintly smiles,
Then shuts his lids and quiet lies
And drifts away to Dreamland's isles?

Have you a child one like this,
Who puts [illegible] troubling thought to flight,
Who climbing up he plants a kiss
Of love upon your lips at night?
If so, then humbly bow your knee
And lift your heart in thankful prayer,
For you are richer far than he
Who [illegible] hill [illegible] is a millionaire.

—W. J. Sinford in Galveston News.

DEATH RECORD.

E. M. CRAYCROFT

Mrs. E. M. Craycroft died Saturday afternoon at [illegible] o'clock at her home one mile east of Pauly. She was 7 years old and her death was caused by lung trouble. She leaves a husband and three small sons. She also leaves three brothers. The funeral will be held Monday morning at 11 o'clock from the Methodist church at Elwin and the interment will be at the Mt. Gilead cemetery.

ELIZABETH PANOT

Mrs. Elizabeth Panot, wife of Frank Panot, Sr., died Saturday morning, Feb. 8, at the family residence, 1126 East Prairie street, aged 62 years. Her death was caused by tuberculosis.

Besides her husband she is survived by a daughter, Mrs. G. A. Ahrens, and two sons, Frank Darling and George Panot.

The funeral will be held Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock from the residence. Rev. William H. Penhallegon will conduct the services and the interment will be at Greenwood.

RALPH MILLER

Ralph, the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Miller, died Saturday morning, Feb. 8, at the family home, 1034 West Wood street, aged 24 days. Death was due to convulsions.

The funeral was held yesterday at 2 p.m. from the residence. Rev. William H. Penhallegon conducted the services and the interment was at Greenwood cemetery.

The owner of Robert Waddell, says the first winner of the American Derby, has been retired from the turf.

Stops the Cough and Works off the Cold.

Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets cure a cold in one day. No cure, no pay. Price 25 cents.

A LITTLE OUT OF THE ORDINARY.

Tenderloin pedestrians were highly entertained late last evening by the spectacle of a diminutive donkey bestridden by a large man standing in the shadow of the Greeley statue, while Policeman Gallagher of the Broadway squad was vainly trying to get them to move along. The donkey is known through the region as Billy the Boozer. He belongs to James Carroll of 156 West Twenty Ninth street, while his rider was James Fiter of the same address, better known in nearby resorts as "The Senator."

The little animal had his ears flat and was braying at a pitch that drowned the roar of Broadway in his immediate vicinity. The pleasure of the crowd rose to ecstasy when the policeman passed behind and the tiny hoofs flew out, neatly kicking him in the head. It [illegible] admitted that both he and the donkey had had many drinks, and the policeman threatened to lock them both up on a charge of being drunk and disorderly when the man sent for a pail of beer. The donkey swallowed it greedily, the ears resumed a pleasant [illegible] position and he trotted amiably homeward.

Billy's latest notorious exploit was on New Year's night, when, after a carouse with some human acquaintances, he ascended two flights of stairs in a strange house and terrified two women upon whom he came unannounced. He narrowly escaped being shot by an inmate. In his younger days he was a pet of the children in Central park.—New York Times.

More than one celebrated personage was actually born after the burial of his own mother, as the following authentic incidents will amply attest.

Ebenezer Erskine, one of the founders of the United Presbyterian church of Scotland, was born after the burial of his mother. Mrs. Erskine was buried in a trance, and on one of her fingers was a valuable ring. The gravedigger knew of this, opened the coffin and was in the act of cutting off the ring-bearing finger when Mrs. Erskine awoke with a cry. She rose, walked home and went upstairs without having encountered any of her family. The footsteps overhead caused her husband to remark: "If I didna ken my wife was lyin' in the kirkyard, I wad say that was her fitstep." Mrs. Erskine lived to be the mother of Ebenezer.

It is not generally known that Robert E. Lee, the confederate general, was born after his mother had been buried. That lady was a victim of catalepsy, and during one of her prolonged trances was pronounced by the physicians to be dead. The burial service was over and the sexton was busy at his sad task when the loud crying and knocking of the awakened woman happily resulted in her deliverance from an awful doom. A year later her youngest son, afterwards General Lee, was born.

The blind man's difficulty in writing has been met in two by a new invention of M. Dessaud of Paris. In all machines for the blind the system hitherto has been for the operator to make some combination of six dots on a soft surface. The space wherein each combination went was marked off by an upright square. In reading the upright impressions of the reverse side were felt by the fingers. Of course the letters thus read ran backwards and the combinations made of six dots variously arranged, each arrangement meaning a separate letter, also ran backwards. The reader had to know an entirely separate alphabet from the writer.

The new invention permits the same alphabet and order of letters to both writer and reader. In each of the little spring squares are placed six small clasps. Under each of these clasps is an upright. The paper is placed between the clasps and uprights. Then the clasps are pushed in desired combination down around the underlying uprights and the impressions made on the paper are in relief and not in depression.

Attorney General Knox, while a practicing attorney, was one of the busiest lawyers in America. A few years ago he was much put out because he had to accept a fee of $50,000. A friend met him as he was leaving the office, and he was swearing mad. He was quivering with vexation and swearing with piratical vigor.

"What's it all about this time?" asked the friend, who was used to his ways and not much concerned over the outburst.

"I have been knocked out of a trip to Egypt."

"Whew! That's worse than I thought. Who did it?"

"My folks want me to make an argument in a case, and I told them I could not be here. They told me to fix my price, and I said $50,000, thinking that would put them out of mind. It did not. They took me up, and my plans are all upset."

"Well, I guess you can stand to have your plans busted," dryly remarked the friend, as he wondered if there was any other lawyer in the world who could be made mad by being forced to accept $50,000.—Washington Post.

Roe Garver fell from a bob sled while sleighing in the Brown's Business college party on Friday night and severely sprained his right wrist. The sprain was an uncommonly bad one and Mr. Garver will be unable to use the hand for some time.

To Cure a Cold in One Day.

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. E. W. Grove's signature is on each box. 25 cents.

Clinton Nelson, the wealthiest farmer in Gratiot county, Missouri, has been arrested charged with being a fence for a gang of thieves who have been robbing the farmers of that vicinity for many years. Nelson is said to be worth $100,000. He is at present feeding 300 head of cattle and as many sheep on his farm for the city market, besides wintering another large number. It is singular that a man with this stake should risk it all for the sake of the pleasure of robbing his neighbor. But when the thieving instinct takes possession of a person it overmasts all other considerations. Men of good standing in the community, respectable members of the church, have been known to rob their partners and get so low as to rob poor working girls of five cents a day on different pretexts. Lord, Lord, what rascals there are in the world.

Stricken with death from heart disease while offering up prayer was the tragic fate which overtook Elijah Lamar at the Holiness Chapel, Nashville, Ill., last Sunday.

After a service of song Mr. Lamar was called upon to lead in prayer. While in the midst of his invocation members of the congregation noticed a tremor in his voice and saw him reel against the pulpit. Medical aid was instantly summoned, but the aged elder passed away without regaining consciousness.

Mr. Lamar was a veteran of the civil war, being a member of Company F, Fifty-ninth Indiana infantry. He was also a member of the Nashville post, G. A. R.

A good story is going round about Mrs. William Cornwallis West, whose [illegible] married Lady Randolph Churchill. Mrs. West was going a short time ago to stay with her daughter, the Duchess of Westminster, at Eaton hall. Being rather proud of her position as the mother of a Duchess of Westminster and of a Princess (Henry of Pless) she always travels with considerable ceremony. On arrival at the railway station she was ushered into her special coach, but just as the train was starting an American young man rushed up and jumped into the car, not noticing that it was a reserved coach. On doing so he apologized profusely to Mrs. West, who, being a very charming [illegible], drew him into an animated conversation which lasted until the train reached Chester, Mrs. West's destination.

There the young man asked the pleasure of knowing with whom he has enjoyed the journey. With a sweet smile Mrs. West said: "I am a cousin of Rosie Boot and the grandmother of Winston Churchill, so I leave you to guess who I am." And she vanished. Rosie Boote married the Marquis of Headfort, the head of Mrs. West's family, while Mrs. West's son is the stepfather of Winston Churchill.

Mrs. J. M. Briggs of Rockford, claims to have been kissed by General Lafayette when a girl. It was in 1824, on the occasion of the grand reception, given at Montpelier, Vt., to the general upon the occasion of his last visit to the United States. She was one of the thirteen girls representing the original states and wore a white gown with a blue sash. She remembers that Lafayette wore a dark blue coat, cutaway style, a low, cream colored vest, a big ruffled white shirt front and light colored trousers. He gave each of the girls a hearty kiss and shook hands with the boys.

In Philadelphia lives a canary that can talk. Its name is George Dewey, and it can say "Pretty Dewey dear."

It is rather hard to describe what his speaking voice is like. The nearest simile is that his the case it all is that it resembles the talking of human beings in a phonograph.

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The bird belongs to Mrs. H. A. Mason, 2151 Master street.

Benjamin F. Smith of Nevada, Wyandotte county, O., who furnished the gavel for the national republican convention at Philadelphia at which President McKinley was renominated, was in Chicago the other day carrying a unique cane.

Mr. Smith had made two gavels for the Philadelphia convention, each containing a bit of wood from every state, territory and province of the United States. One of these gavels finally was given to Senator Hanna and the other to President McKinley. With bits of these woods left over Mr. Smith has inlaid a cane on which is inscribed the name of the state or territory, the date of admission to the union, and its electoral vote for 1900 for and against President McKinley.

The main stick of the cane is of sugar maple and the inlaid woods range from white pine to mahogany. Most of these pieces of wood came from historic buildings, trees and furniture—one piece from the famous Charter Oak, for instance, and another from one of the timbers of old Fort Marion, which had been buried for 300 years.

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